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Date of Sailing. Saturday 2-39 P.M.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons
1907.				
2nd Nov†	MACEDONIA	10512	BRITANNIA	6525
9th "	OCEANA	6610		
16th "	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
23rd "	EGYPT	7912		
30th "	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
7th Dec.	MARMORA	10509		
14th "	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
21st "	ARABIA	7903		
28th "	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9500
1908.				
4th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
11th "	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
18th "	OCEANA	6610		
25th "	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
8th "	CALEDONIA	7558	VICTORIA	6522
15th "	ORIENTAL	5284		
22nd "	MACEDONIA	10512		
29th "	ARCADIA	6603		
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7558	BRITANNIA	6595
14th "	ARABIA	7903		
21st "	CALEDONIA	7558	MOOLTAN	9621
28th "	PERSIA	7951		
4th Apr.	MARMORA	10509		
11th "	EGYPT	7912		
18th "	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9500
25th "	MACEDONIA	10512		
2nd May	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
9th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
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DUMBEA	5,686	Boyer	26th Dec.
VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,378	Combe	23rd Jan. 1908.
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NERA	5,538	Schmitz	3rd Jan. 1908.

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YETOROFU MARU	...	K. Sato	13th Nov.	27th Nov.
KAGESHIMA MARU	...	T. Arakawa	26th Nov.	8th Dec.
WAKAMIYA MARU	...	R. Takeda	4th Dec.	18th Dec.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	...	K. Kori	17th Dec.	29th Dec.
				1908
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AFRICA	4596	P. Badessich	1st Dec
IMPERATOR	4140	F. Mosca	16th "
KOERBER	5301	A. Foresti	1st Jan. 1908
BOHEMIA	4282	M. Dabcevich	16th " "
AFRICA	4596	P. Padessich	1st Feb. "
IMPERATOR	4140	F. Mosca	16th " "

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CIRCASSIA	Alex Haig	6716	3rd Dec.
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5106	17th "
CASTALIA	F S Blight	6300	7th Jan. 08.
BRITANNIA	R J Garrick	3069	21st " "
MASSILIA	J Thomson	5091	12th Feb. "
OLYMPIA	C.F. Osborne, R.N.R.	5124	29th " "
CIRCASSIA	Alex Haig	6,716	18th Mar "
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5,106	26th " "
CASTALIA	F. S Blight	6,300	11th April "
BRITANNIA	R. J. Garrick	3,069	19th " "
MASSILIA	J. Thomson	5,091	14th May "
OLYMPIA	C.F. Osborne R.N.R.	5,124	27th " "
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25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
40	36 11	68 12	52 5	44 9	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
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THE steamer Canterbury, 2,734 tons, Captain G W Willis, arrived in Harbour yesterday from Genoa and Portsaid in Ballast.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lawada, 2,124 tons, Captain C Lane, sailed yesterday for Calcutta, &c., with a general cargo.

THE B I P S N Co's steamer Mahammadi, 1,251 tons, Captain P S Primrose, arrived in harbour yesterday from Jedah, with a general cargo and 23 deck passengers.

THE Hansa Line steamer Wartenfels, 2,883 tons, Captian P Schmidt, arrived in harbour yestorday from Hamburg, with a general cargo and 6 deck passengers.

THE Wilson Line steamer Castello, 2,339 tons, Captain L W Leighton, arrived in harbour, on the 29th instant, from Middlesborough and Hull with a general cargo and Mr Morris as a passenger.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain W Moxon, will sail to-day for Persian Gulf, etc., with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Lieut Sale, Mr Rice, Mr Sale, Mr Winkler, Dr Blunt, 16 second class and 150 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Linga, 938 tons, Captain R J Rickford, R N R, arrived in Bombay harbour yesterday from Karachi and Coast Ports, with a general cargo and the following passengers :—General Hunter, Maj Talbot, General Tullock, Lieuts Good, Murrell, Davis, Lang, Halliday, Harkness, Mrs Coutbburt, Revd Burse Etrobuls, Maj and Mrs Elliott, Mr Gorman, Mr and Mrs Abdoola, Mr and Mrs Marker, Miss Butcher, Mr G Phillips, Mrs Tellie, Mr Williams, Mr G Naranji, Mr Kazim and Mr A Khan, one native officer and 1,021 deck passengers.

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Plassy	Capt Notley	Transport
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VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—October 30.

Amaryllis	2587	Lash	Gordhandas Tejpal & Co
Allanton	2775	Motyer	N F W & A G & Co
Bronaudrossen	2774	Kennedy	K Nixon & Co
Bolluvell	2209	Scurr	S Wallace & Co
Canterbury	2734	Willis	R A Willis
Capri	2781	Belsito	F & R S N Co
Dunbar	2410	Lee	W & A G & Co
Ismailia	3381	Ross	M M & Co
Itria	3419	Fenwick	M M & Co
Kyleakin	1976	Lennox	K Nixon & Co
Linga	938	Rickford, Karachi	M M & Co
Mohammadi	1251	Primrose	B & P S N Co
Nuddia	1944	Davidson	M M & Co
Nairung	2862	Thomson	I M & Co
Onda	3409	Garland	M M & Co
Peninsular	2919	Palmer	P & O Co
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Shah Najam	2751	Davison	E Tajbhoy
Shah Anwer	1022	Pilling	H Ahmed Hassum
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Sultan	2816	Ulrich	A Strandes
Upada	3382	Stewart	M M & Co
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Wilana	2553	Robertson	M M & Co
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Wartenfels	2983	Schmidt	Glade & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—October 30.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
A	Delta	4779	Daniel	Shanghai	13-11	P & O Co
B	Castello	2339	Leighton	Hull	N F	F Muir & Co
C & R	Shah Allum	1917	Davison	Jedda	1-11	Essajee Tajbhoy
D & E	Quiloa	4944	Anderson	Calcutta	2-11	M M & Co
G	Nadieri	1108	Gray	Jedah	7-11	B & P S N Co
K	Aleppo	2526	Webster	Hull via K'chi	4-11	F M & Co
L	Ipswick	813	Pelling	Jedda	N F	Shah S N Co
M	Shah Naway	2523	Baldoin	Jedda	2-11	The Shah S N Co
O	Islami	1604	Newly	Jedda	31-10	B & P S N Co
P	Schwarzenfels	2600	Franzine	H'burg	5-11	Glade & Co

H W P D

	Sabarmati	524	Mahomed	Mangalore	1-11	Bo S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Alovi	2324	Hill	K'chi	6-11	B & P S N Co
2	Massilia	3091	Thomson	L'pool	5-11	W & A G & Co
4	John Hardie	2816	McMillen	Antwerp	9-11	W & A G & Co
5	Takasaki Maru	2403	Mockler	Kobe	6-11	N Y Kaisha
8	Koerber	3240	Forest	Trieste	1-11	A L S N Co
12	Macedonia	5245	Beune	London	2-11	P & O Co
14	Hoseince	903	Jenkins	N F		B & P S N Co
16	Silverdale	2446	Rutter	New Port	9-11	W & A G & Co

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Puri	643	Ahmed	N F		Bo S N Co
Sarasvati	443	Ahmed	N F		B S N Co

ARRIVAL.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
29	Castello s	Leighton	Middlesbro, Sept 21
30	H M S Proserpine s.	James	Aden, Oct 21
	Canterbury s	Willis	Genoa, Oct 9
	Linga s	Rickford	Karachi, Oct 28
	Mohammadi s	Primrose	Jedah, Oct 15
	R I M S Palinurus s	Hickman	Survey Ground
	Wartenfels s	Schmidt	Hamburg, Sept 27
	Sultan s	Ulrich	Port Natal, &c

DEPARTURES.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
30	Onda s	Garland	Rangoon, &c.
	Lawada s	Lane	Calcutta, &c.

The steamer Dwarka, Moxon for Persian Gulf &c., obtained her portclearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer Oriental for Aden.
" Oceanic for Marseilles, &c.
" Canterbury for Philadelphia.
" Castello for Hull, &c.
" Sultan for Zanzibar, &c.
" Mohammadi for Jedah.
" Hoseince for Persian Gulf, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	From
20	Kenley	Calcutta
24	Blythwood	Calcutta
25	Clan Sutherland	Liverpool
26	Twingone	Rangoon
28	Zinnia	Calcutta

DAILY EXPORTS.—OCT. 30.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Massilia s—75 bales wool, Ebji Shivji ; 10 bales hemp, Jaffer Canjee ; 31 bales wool, M Ramjidas ; 42 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co ; 25 bales wool, M. Bulley ; 10 bales wool, Allen Brothers and Co ; 7,540 cwt oil cake, The New Mofussil Co ; 100 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co ; 1,060 cwt mowraseed Jehangir Cama & Co ; 195 cwt wheat sweeping 4,377 cwt, rapeseed ; H Rowji.

FOR PHILADELPHIA.

Canterbury s—7,000 tons manganese ore, R A Willis.

FOR LONDON.

Macedonia s—1,958 cwts cotton seed, G Madhowji and Co ; 70 cwts deer horn, J M Rehimtoola ; 100 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co.

FOR HULL.

Alippo s—27 bales twist, Greaves Cotton and Co ; 6,000 cwts castorseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co : 4,000 cwt castorseed, Shaw Wallace and Co ; 2,000 cwts castorseed, W & A Graham and Co ; 2,050 cwt castorseed, David Sassoon and Co.
Silverdale s—39,000 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Massilia s—10 bales twist, Allen Brothers and Co ; 3 bales twist, Tata Sons and Co ; 12 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co ; 30 bales twist, The Framji Pet't S M Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

John Hardy s—956 cwts Myrabollains, W Becher ; 11 bales twist, H M Mehta and Co.

FOR NEW YORK.

Macedonia s—1 bale carpets, G P Stavrides and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Schwerzenfels s—385 bales cotton, Bamjee and Co ; 98 bales cotton D Jamsetjee and Co ; 35 bales cotton Walter Pavri and Co ; 800 bales cotton, Glade and Co ; 35 bales cotton, K P Sethna ; 23 bales cotton, Ewart Latham and Co ; 220 bales cottonfly, K Hurmukhrai and Co ; 500 cwt myrabollams, O Madhawje, and Co ; 4 bales cotton and 152 bales cottonfly, W Wolf and Sons ; 200 bales twist, H M Mehta and Co

FOR MARSEILLES.

Massilia s—967 cwt gingallyseed, John Fachiri ; 20 bales hemp R Reeve and Co ; 1 bale cotton, P Visram and Co ; 100 cwt cajooseeds and 105 cwt turmeric, C R Jewandas and Co

FOR HONGKONG.

Takasaki Maru s—399 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co : 300 bales cotton G Tejpal and Co ; 100 bales cotton, and 200 bales twist, S J David and Co
Delta s—37 chests opium, P and O Co

FOR SHANGHAI.

Takasaki Maru s—50 bales twist, O Bhawanidas ; 701 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co ; 100 bales twist, S J David and Co

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Takasaki Maru s—500 bales cotton, Ralli Bros

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, *October* 29.] [BOMBAY, *October* 30.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2½ per cent. Consols ...	82		1/2
3 do. Rentes... ...	94 1/4	unchgd	
3½ do. Sterling Loan ...	99		1/2
3½ do. Govt. Securities ...	64 3/8	unchgd	
* Bar Silver in London ...	27 1/2		5/8
Do. do. 2 months' hence	27 13/16		5/8
Do. in New York ...	59 1/8		1 3/8
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25 13	unchgd	
Do. do. do. Berlin.	20·53		1 1/2
Do. do. do. New York.	4·84 1/2	1 1/2	
Discount Bank of England Rate.	4 1/2	since 15Aug	
Do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight	6	1/8	
Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	5 7/8	3/4	
Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills	6 1/8	1/4	
Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	6 1/4	1/4	
Interest Day-to-day Loans ...	4	1/4	
Do. 7-day Market Loans	4 1/8	1/4	

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England, £600,000 for various places.
Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England £1,000,000 for North America.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) 1s. 3¾d unchgd.
* Closing tone of Silver—Steady.

COTTON.

Liverpool—

Spots ...	Mutilated.
Futures ...	Mutilated.
East Indian ...	Mutilated.
Manchester ...	Easier.
Total Sales... ...	8,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export ...	500
Imports ...	14,000
Mid-Americans ...	5·81—22
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ...	10 1/8—1/16

Future Delivery Prices—

Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5·50	5·45	5·44	5·44	5·44
—19	—15	—15	—14	—14
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July	
5·44	5·44	5·45	5·44	
—13	—13	—12	—12	

New York—

Receipts at U. S. Ports ...	76,000	bales.
Do. do. last year...	113,000	"
Exports to Great Britain ...	13,000	"
Do. to Continent... ...	34,000	"

Spot Cotton—10·60 unchgd.

Futures—Month of Dec. 10·16 +08
Do. do. of Mar. 9·94 —02
} Declined early owing to weak cables and advanced later through bull support and short covering.

New Orleans :—

Spot Cotton.—10 5/16 —3/16
Futures—Month of December ... 9·98 +06
Do. do. January ... 9·94 +06
Closing Tone of Futures.—Steady.

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Fine Broach ...	d. 5 26/32
F. G. Broach ...	d. 5 21/32
Good Broach ...	d. 5 19/32

WHEAT.

White Choice Karachi, C. I. F.—13 Nov.-Dec.—London—Done—Canal.
Tone of Wheat—Quiet but steady.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed :—
Tone of Rapeseed.—Firm.

Linseed :—
Bombay, per 416 lbs., ex-ship 49½ Oct.-Nov.—Antwerp—Buyers—Canal.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality), 6¼ unchgd.

Sugar :—
German granulated Sugar, double bags, C. and F. India, 11s. 10 1/2d.
Months of Shipment—Nov.-Dec.—Value.
Tone of Sugar—Quiet.

Rubber—
Para Rubber 4s. 2d. Value.

Metals :—

Copper Braziers ...	£80
Yellow Metal ...	d. 7

Tin plates—
I. C. Coke 14×20, 112 sheets per box weighing 90lbs. C I F Liverpool. £ 0 13 3

Bar Iron :—

Belgian Ordinary Sizes F. O. B., Antwerp	£ 5 9 0
Iron Corrugated Sheets 24 gauge G. O. B. 4 ℤ F. O. B. Liverpool	£ 13 2 6
Basic Steel Bars C. I. F. India	£ 5 18 9

Freight—
Coals Cardiff to Bombay Canal. Nominal.

SKIN SALES.

Goat Skin sales closed to-day. Total sold 1,147,000. Flat and prices easier 4d. to 6d. lower.
Sheep Skin opened to-day.
Quiet and prices easier 2d. to 2½d. lower.

ARRIVALS :—
"Blue Jackets," "Australien."

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value	From	Vessel.	Importer.
2 Bundles Gold coins	Rs. 4,131	Muscat	Dwarka	Comptoir National
Rupees	3,000			
2 Bundles Rs. ...	4,000	Linga	Karara	E H Abdoola
9 Packages Sovs	68,415	Jeddah	Islami	Sundry Natives
Gold Coins.....	4,786			
Rupees	330			
1 Box Silver ..	19	London	Macedonia	Yokohama Bank

BOMBAY MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.] [30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

Money :—

Borrowers for two months at 2½ per cent. per annum.

Exchange :—

The Market for credits was firm to-day consequent on the advance in discounts in London. At opening only one or two Banks were willing to buy 3 months' sight credits at 1 4 5-16 for the mail and some bills were placed on those terms. For next week 1-4s. 11-32d. 3 months' sight was the best rate obtainable. There were small buyers of T. T. at 1-3s. 31-32d. Far Eastern rates are weak and unsettled, the following quotations being nominal.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	1s. 3 31/32d.
Demand Draft	1s. 4d.
Credits—3 months' sight...	1s. 4 5/16d. to 11/32d.
Do. 6 months' sight...	1s. 4 17/32d.
Do. 3 months' sight—Francs	170½
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks	139½
Hongkong—30 days' sight...	149
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	150 1/4
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	200 1/2

Government Paper :—

This market opened to-day at 97½ for cash and 96 15/16 for the second settlement. A moderate business has been passing in the Bazaar, chiefly amongst the professional element who have been busy arranging for to-morrow's account. Towards the afternoon rates became slightly easier, the market falling a point to 97 3/16 for to-morrow's settlement and 96⅞ for the 30th November. At the close quotations are as under, but they may vary later on when options are declared. Calcutta rates have advanced to 97 ready and 96⅞ for delivery in a month.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs. 97·3
1st Settlement ...	" 97·3
2nd Settlement...	" 96·13

Bullion :—

Reuter advises a further fall in the price of silver, ready and forward being 5/16 down at 27½ and 27 13/16 respectively. The New York market was 1 3/8 lower at Rs. 59 1/8. Locally the Market opened weak at Rs. 69 11/16 ex-duty but later advanced to Rs. 70 3/16. The market, however, is influenced almost entirely by home advices. Quotations are as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold ...	24	2	0
Australian Bar Gold ...	24	1	0
Bombay Bar Gold ...	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15	0	0
English Dragon Sovereigns ...	15	0	0
Silver *ex* Duty—Ready ...	70	2	0
Ditto 1st Settlement ...	70	5	0

COTTON.

Market Report :—

The market opened quiet with rates about Re. 1 lower than last evening's closing quotations. A fair business has been done, Japan shippers being buyers and other exporters sellers. The bazaar has also been buying. At the close prices are steady as under.

For old crop ready, the market is flat with very little doing. New ready Bengals are easier as there is little enquiry.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach...........	272/73	March 08.
Good M. G. Broach ...	263 1/2	"
Fine " Nagpur Kampti...	233	January.
" Damangaum-Pulgaum	228	"
" Khangaum-Akola	219/20	"
" " Amraoti	219	"
" " Muttia.............	205/6	"
F.G.M.G. Khandesh ...	201	"
Fine M. G. Khandesh ...	209	"
" " Bengals ...	200/1	"
F. G. H. G. "	189	"

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening Tone ...	Firm.
Estimated Sales ...	7,000 bales.
Total Imports ...	21,000 "

Future Delivery Prices :—

O.-N.	N.-D.	D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.
5·58	5·53	5·52	5·52	5·52
+08	+08	+08	+08	+08
M.-A.	A.-M.	M.-J.	J.-J.	
5·52	5·52	5·53	5·51	
+08	+08	+08	+07	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—

The market is firm and rates are advancing, but buyers are not inclined to follow the rise. We quote :—

Ready ...	Rs. 8 7 0 R. T.
December ...	" 8 11 0 R. T.
New Crop, May ...	" 8 15 0 R. T.

Rapeseed :—

The market is steady with a moderate business doing. We quote :—

Brown Cawnpore...	Rs. 9 12 0
Yellow Guzerat ...	" 10 11 0

Gingellyseed :—

Quotations are nominal as there are no sellers for forward delivery.

Bold White 85 p. c....	Rs. 63 0 0
" " 75 p. c....	" 62 0 0
Black Kutni ...	" 54 0 0

Poppyseed :— Rs. 12 7 0

Tone—Firmer.

Castorseed :— Rs. 39 8 0

Tone—Steady.

cottonseed :— Rs. 23 0 0

Tone—Steady.

Mowraseed :— Rs. 5 15 0 R. T.

Tone—Steady.

GROUNDNUTS :— Rs. 48 0 0 Jan.-Feb.

Tone—Firm.

Wheat :—

The market is firmer and rates are advancing We quote :—

New White Delhi, April-May. Rs. 6 1 0

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m. yesterday :—

Cotton ...	1,808	bales.
Wheat ...	4,200	cwts.
Linseed ...	5,049	"
Rapeseed ...	539	"
Gingellyseed ...	7,512	"
Poppyseed ...	53	"
Groundnuts ...	286	"
Castorseed ...	7,491	"
Rice ...	4,073	"
Myrabollams ...	2,240	"
Cottonseed ...	1,421	"
Mowraseed ...	5,401	"
Gram ...	2,863	"
Joowar ...	1,865	"
Maize ...	524	"

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks :—

Bombay ...	1382 1/2
India ...	61 1/2

Mills :—

David ...	390
Maneckji Petit ...	3,105

Miscellaneous :—

Colaba Land and Mill ...	1,020

Railways :—

Tapti Valley ...	447 1/2

Quotations Received by Wire.

MADRAS, OCTOBER 30.

The following are the London quotations received by special cablegram through Messrs. Scott and Tod, to-day :—

Mines.	Share.	Paid up.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Anantapur Gold	£1	10s.	£1 0 0	£1 2 6
Balaghat (Ord)	£1	£1	£0 8 3	£0 9 6
Balaghat (Pref)	£1	£1	£0 16 9	£0 19 5
Champion Reefs	2s. 6d	2s. 6d.	£0 6 0	£0 7 0
Hosur Gold	£1	15s. 4d.	£0 1 9	£0 2 3
Dec. G. F. Dev.	£1	5s. 0d.	£0 0 1½	£0 0 6
Dhar. Gold Mines	£1	£1	£0 16 9	£0 18 9
Dharwar Reefs	£1	£1	£0 10 0	£0 11 0
G. F. Mysore	£1	£1	£0 0 1½	£0 0 6
Glenrock, Ind	10s.	9s. 9d.	£0 0 3	£0 0 9
G. F. Dharwar......	£1	£1	£0 9 0	£0 10 6
Hutti	£1	£1	£1 8 6	£1 11 3
Hyderabad Deo	£3	£3	£2 0 0	£2 2 6
Ind. Mines Syn	4s.	3s.	£0 0 1½	£0 0 6
Kempinkoti New ..	5s.	5s.	£0 0 6	£0 0 9
Mysore Gold	10s.	10s.	£5 5 0	£5 8 9
Mysore Reef Ord.....	£1	£1	£0 0 1½	£0 0 6
Mysore West	£1	19s.	£0 0 3	£0 0 9
Mysore Wynaad	£1	19s.	£0 0 3	£0 0 9
Nundydroog	10s.	10s.	£1 3 6	£1 5 0
Ooregum (Ord)	10s.	10s.	£0 6 6	£0 6 9
Ooregum (Pref)	10s.	10s.	£0 10 0	£0 11 3
Road Block	£1	£1	£0 1 0	£0 1 6
Sangli (New)	£1	18s.	......	£0 0 2
Tepuldodi	£1	16s.	£0 5 6	£0 6 6

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, and MEMORIAM NOTICES which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders, is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BEESON—October 27, at "Falconer's Home," Egmore, the wife of Mr. A. W. Beeson, Madras Jail Department, of a son.
THOMAS—October 24, at St. Thomas' Mount, the wife of F. F. Thomas, Medical Department, Villupuram, South Arcot District, of a daughter.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 38m. Sun sets, 6h. 7m. High water, 7-0m., 7-22a. Low water, 1-53m.
High Court, Appellate Side, vacation sitting.
Sind Press Company, 19 Elphinstone Circle, 3-30 p. m.
Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplanade.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Nov. 6th, New Moon, 4h. 8-9m, a. m. ; Nov. 12th, First Quarter, 10h. 44·4m. p. m. ; Nov. 20th, Full Moon, 5h. 34-3m. a.m. ; Nov. 28th. Last Quarter, 9h. 51-0m. a. m. ; Nov 9th, in Perigee, 11-5h. a. m. ; Nov. 25th, in Apogee, 11-3h., a. m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Friday, November 1.—Factory Commission assembles in Bombay. P. and O. steamer "Oriental", with English mails of 18th October, due to arrive at 7 a. m. Sun rises, 6h. 39m.; Sun sets, 6h. 6m. High water, 8-3m., 8 32a.; Low water, 1-18m., 2-31a.

Saturday, November 2.—Mahalakshmi Spinning and Weaving Mills Company, 3 Tamarind Lane, 3 p. m. Sun rises, 6h. 39m.; Sun sets, 6h. 6m. High water, 8-49m., 9-17a. ; Low water, 2-18m., 3-7a.

Sunday, November 3.—23rd Sunday after Trinity. Sun rises, 6h. 39m. Sun sets, 6h. 5m. High water, 9-28m., 9-58a. Low water, 5-8m , 3 42a.

Monday, November 4.—Sun rises, 6h. 40m. Sun sets, 6h. 5m. High water, 10 4m., 10-38a. Low water, 3-53m., 4-16a.

Tuesday, November 5.—Divali Festival : Bank holiday. Sun rises, 6h. 40m., Sun sets, 6h. 4m.; High water, 10-39m. 11-18a., Low water, 4-35m., 4-49a.

Wednesday, November 6.—Divali Festival: Bank holiday. Sun rises, 6h. 41m.; Sun sets, 6h. 4m; High water, 11-15m., 11-59a. Low water, 5-15m., 5-22a.

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION.—The Examination of the students of the Elementary Sanitary Class organised by the Bombay Sanitary Association has been fixed for the 29th proximo in the Lord Harris Municipal School, at 2 P.M. (Bombay Time).

MUSIC AT GREEN'S.—The following programme of music will be played at Green's Garden to-day :—

7 to 9 p. m.

March	Constellation	Clark
Overture	Lustspiel	Keler Bela
Valse	Wean - G'Muath	Schrammel
Selection	I Lombardi	Verdi
Descriptive Patrol	The Phantom Brigade	Myddleton
Intermezzo	Old Love is never forgotten	Volstedt
Valse	Espanna	Waldteufel
Two-Step	Smoky Mokes	Holzmann

THE B. S. P. C. A.—During the month of September last, 1 horse was sent to the Pinjrapole as being unfit for work, at the instance of the Agents of the Bombay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, with the permission of the Presidency Magistrates and with the consent of the owners; while 5 horses and 47 bullocks were sent to the Bai Sakarbai Dinsha Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel for curative treatment during the last month. 265 offenders were fined for cruelty to their animals, 24 cartmen were fined for overloading their carts and 23 offenders were warned and discharged by the Magistrates.

THE RAJKOT INSTALLATION.—Pandit Harishewar Mahadeo, Raj Guru (High Priest) of the Jamnagar State, was specially invited at Rajkot on Saturday last, the 26th instant, to perform the religious installation ceremony, according to the Hindu Shastras, of H. H. the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot. The Pandit accompanied by the Thakore Saheb and his Dewan left the Palace at 7-30 a m. in a motor-car and drove to the temple of the Goddess there. After observing all the forms and ceremonies according to the Shastras, the Thakore Saheb was declared Chief. Besides Shastri Ambaram Kalianji who assisted, at the ceremony there were present H. H. the Chief of Dhurumpore and other chiefs and several shethias from Bombay. A Durbar was held in the afternoon and Pandit Harishwar Mahadeo was nominated Raj Guru of the Rajkot State.

BOMBAY ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—The Ordinary Monthly Meeting of the Society was held in the rooms of the B. B. R. Asiatic Society, Town Hall, yesterday at 6 P. M., when Col. A. S. Jaykar, I. M. S., (Retd.) occupied the chair. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The following presents were announced :—From London—The Journal of the Royal Anthroppological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland, Vol. XXXVII. 1907 (January to June.) From Paris—Revue de L'Ecole D'Anthropologie de Paris, Annee IX. From St. Petersburg—Bulletin de L'Academie Imperiale des Sciences de St. Petersburg—V, Serie Tome XVII, 1902, Tome XVII, 1903, Tome XIX, 1903, Tome XX, 1904 Tome XXI, 1904 and VI serie No. 12, 1907. Publications du Musee D'Anthropologie et D'Ethnographie de L'Academie Imperiale des Sciences de St. Petersburg—No. I. 1900, No. II. 1901, No. IV. 1903, No. V. 1905. From Salzburg—International Review of Ethnology and Linguistics, Band II, Heft 4 and 5, 1907. From New York—Bulletin of the New York Public Library, Vol. XI., No. 9 of 1907. From Manila—The Philippine Journal of Science, Vol. II, No. 4, 1907. The following paper was then read :—"The Function of Anthropology in the Re-construction of primitive human history, as illustrated by a complete theory on the Pre-Aryan settlers in prehistoric India, their origin, their entry into and movements in India," by Mr. R. K. Dadachanji, B. A., LL.B. The paper will be published in the Society's Journal. A vote of thanks to the author of the paper concluded the proceedings of the meeting.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, Oct. 31.

372. Detail for the week ending Saturday the 2nd proximo.
Thursday the 31st—Semaphore Drill at 7 a m Fall in, in rear of Telegraph Quarters.
II—"L" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 7-45 a m.
III—"I", "K" and "M" Cos Parade on the Maidan at 4 p m. Dress—Plain Clothes.
Friday the 1st Proximo—School of Arms at the Y M C Association at 7 p m.
II—All Recruits of the current season will parade at Head-Quarters at 7 p.m.

A. L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt. B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, Oct. 31.

322 SPOON COMPETITION ETC.

The Range at Santa Cruz will be available for Spoon Competitions and class firing practice on Sunday the 3rd proximo.
Trains leave Bombay as follows :—Colaba 6 a m and 6-40 a m, Churchgate at 6-5 a m and 6-45 a m, Grant Road at 6-15 a m and 6-55 a m.
The new rules of the B V A Rifle Association can be seen at Fort Head-Quarters.

323 ISSUE OF ARMS.

Arms will be issued from Fort Head-Quarters daily from 9-30 a m to 12 noon and from Byculla on Friday evening at 5-30 p m.
The Arms withdrawn from stores must be returned by the 5th proximo, for C O M Armourers inspection.

R. W. FISHER, Lieut.,
Adjt. B. V. A.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, Oct. 31.

Major T W Cuffe, having returned from leave of absence resumes Command of the Squadron from this date.

E. S. SYMONS, Lieut.
Offg. Comdt. B. L. H.

PUBLIC COMPANY MEETINGS.

ALLIANCE COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

THE twenty-fifth annual general meeting of shareholders of the Company was held yesterday at its registered office in Elphinstone Circle, Mr. Vijbhucandas Atmaram presiding.

The directors' report stated among other things :—"Your mill has during the first half of the year under report made a profit of Rs. 19,402-6-11. There was some dislocation in the working of the mill, resulting from a fire in the carding and reeling rooms in December last. The second half-year has been for your mill a period of unfortunate breakages in the machinery, and accidents in the buildings, all of which were beyond the control of your board. These serious mishaps came severely in the way of the working of your factories, which were, out of a working period of 155 days, kept totally closed for 28 days and partially closed for 70 days. The resulting effects of such total and partial stoppages at intervals in the actual working of the mill cannot but dislocate its staff and hands. The loss made during the period amounted to Rs. 59,789-13-9. The period of stoppages has been utilised in repairing and renovating your old machinery. The total amount spent on this score during the year is about Rs. 85,000. The total working of the year under report thus shows a loss of Rs. 38,382-8-10, including Rs. 2,004-14-0, the credit balance of last year. In view of these sad incidents your secretaries and treasurers offer to give up Rs. 22,387-8-0 of their commission to pay a dividend at Rs. 12½ per share. Should this meet with your approval, the secretaries and treasurers deserve your appreciation for their generosity. Since the period covered by this report a fire broke out in the New Mule Spinning block (known as silk mill) on the 8th instant. The whole of the block which has been destroyed, was fully insured and the settlement of the loss-claim is under negotiation at present. Your directors note with regret the death of their collegue Mr. Gordhundas Sivaram, whose co-operation in your interest was useful. Your mills together with the local-stock-in-trade have been insured to the extent of Rs. 24,32,300. Two of your directors, Messrs. Vijbhucandas Atmaram and Purshotumdas Thakordas, who retire by rotation, are eligible for re-election. You have to appoint auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration."

The directors' report and audited accounts were approved and adopted. The shareholders accepted with thanks the generous offer of the secretaries and treasurers of Rs. 22,387-8, out of their commission, to pay a dividend at the rate of Rs. 12½ per share ; and a dividend of Rs. 12½ per share was declared. Messrs. Vijbhucandas Atmaram and Purshotamdas Thakordas, who retired by rotation, were re-elected directors. Messrs. Jamnadas Parmanandas and A. J. DeQuadros were re-appointed auditors with a remuneration of Rs. 150 each. The thanks of the shareholders were accorded to the directors, secretaries and treasurers for their able management of the Company's affairs during the past year. The proceedings closed with the customary compliment to the Chairman.

THE SOUTHERN MAHRATTA SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY.

The twenty-sixth annual general meeting of shareholders of the Company was held yesterday at its registered office, Telephone Buildings, Mr. James P. Chrystal, Chairman of the Board, presiding.

The directors' report stated among other things :—"The nett earnings on the year's working amount to Rs. 1,55,001-9-6, out of which your directors have set aside Rs. 50,000 to depreciation fund account and Rs. 7,500 to reserve dividend fund account, and from the balance they recommend a dividend of Rs. 20 per share, which will absorb Rs. 94,220. They also recommend that a bonus of Rs. 2,000 be divided among the employees, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,281-9-6 to be carried forward to next year's account. Owing to the continuance of the demand, at high prices, on the part of Bombay and Ahmedabad weaving mills for the superior stapled cottons grown in the Hubli Districts the rates locally have remained relatively high in comparison with those realised for yarns. To this cause, as well as to the tendency all over the Presidency towards a higher range of wages for labour and to the increase in the cost of fuel and mill supplies generally, the diminution in the profits for the year may be principally attributed. The stocks of yarn, cotton, fuel, stores etc., were checked on the 30th June last by Mr. G. Smith of Messrs. Forbes, Forbes, Campbell and Co., Ltd., and were found in order. The property of the Company with the cotton cuppas, etc., has been insured for Rs. 23,30,875. Mr Eknath R. Khote retires by rotation from the Board of Directors, but he is eligible for re-election. Mr. Carsedjee Cawasjee Dalal and Messrs. A. F. Ferguson & Company offer themselves for re-election as auditors."

The directors' report and audited accounts were approved and adopted. Resolutions were passed in accordance with the recommendations of the directors ; and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

AN EX-POLICE COURT MISSIONARY.

Some of his Trials and Hardships.

Mr. Cuthbert Shepherd, of Kenmure, Lancaster Gardens, South-end-on-Sea, is an earnest evangelist, who until lately was engaged in the trying work of a police-court missionary for the Rochford Hundred of Essex. His arduous and exacting duties some time ago told upon his health, and he became a victim to constipation.

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"Cycling and walking had been two of my favourite pursuits, but I was unable to take any interest in either. I had always been a hearty eater, but often I had a positive distaste for food, and after every meal there was a fresh attack of the pains in the head and the drowsy feeling that almost incapacitated me. I tried all sorts of remedies, but I could discover nothing to give me permanent relief until I was persuaded to try bile beans.

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"Bombay Gazette," 31st Oct., 1907.

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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

POLICE COURT.

IMPORTING BAD MEAT.

Maximum Penalty.

MR. JAFFERBHAI RAHIMTULLA, Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, delivered judgment yesterday morning at the Mazagon Police Court, in the case in which Mr. Kazi Abdul Razak, General Inspector of Markets, charged Raghu Saya and Tucka Gopalla, cart-drivers in the Public Health Department, and Vithu Rama and Bapu Bhagia, labourers, employed in the same Department, with importing 400 lbs. of contraband meat into the City of Bombay in contravention of Section 412 (1) of the Municipal Act.

His Worship in delivering judgment said :—"The facts of this case are extremely simple. The accused, who are Municipal employes, were in charge of two carts, which carry dead animals to Chemboor for disposal. On the return journey, on the 23rd October last, they brought 400 lbs. of meat of dead animals in the two carts for their own consumption and for sale in Bombay. The capacity of each cart is 1,000 lbs. and on an average two carts go to Chemboor per day, and thus the accused, if they chose, could bring in 2,000 lbs. of meat of dead animals daily to the City. The Municipal Commissioner who had received some information with reference to this matter, organized a party of respectable men to surprise them. At the Sion Causeway, on the day in question, these carts were stopped with the result that meat of dead animals weighing 400 lbs. was discovered concealed under a cover in these carts. When questioned, the accused denied all knowledge, but afterwards admitted that they had brought this meat for their own consumption and also for sale in Bombay. They are charged under Section 412 of the Municipal Act "for having brought into the City the flesh of animals slaughtered at any slaughter-house or place not maintained or licensed under the Act, without the written permission of the Commissioner." The accused plead guilty, but in mitigation of sentence state that they brought only a small quantity of meat for their own consumption and the large quantity that was discovered was thrown into the carts by butchers without their knowledge or consent. This is obviously false ; firstly because there is no evidence of it, and secondly, if so, how the meat thrown in the carts got under cover and how it got mixed up with the meat they admittedly brought with them.

So far as the Municipal officers are concerned, this is the first case of its kind ; they never suspected this mal-practice nor did they take any measures to check it. All this, however, would not be in vain, late though it be, if the Municipality keeps a vigilant eye and its Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors are not overpowered with the alluring sleep of Rip Van Winkle or of Koombhakaran, and they again go to sleep. It seems that there is a serious epidemic of sleep, sloth and neglect prevailing among the Municipal subordinate officers. Only last Saturday a case was placed before me which is an instance in point. It appeared that the Municipal Commissioner had delegated certain powers to an Inspector, under Section 68 of the Act, who in his turn delegated the same to a cooly drawing 6 annas a day, for which there is no warrant either in the Municipal Act or in the By-Laws made thereunder. So on the 25th of October last, this cooly, accompanied by two more, with only a 'langoti' on his person, but clothed with the majesty, dignity, authority and importance of the Municipal Commissioner of the town and island of Bombay, appeared on Clerk Road to demolish a hut while the Inspector was safely slumbering at home. The occupiers of the hut declined to recognize a Municipal Commissioner of such shape, size and get up, and a fight ensued. Needless to say that the Municipal people lost the case ignominously.

The present Municipal Commissioner, Mr. S. M. Edwardes, has earned the unstinted thanks of the citizens of Bombay for his energetic action in detecting and exposing this dangerous, nefarious and unholy trade of stabbing the City in the dark ; but he would be entitled to their lasting gratitude if he devises effective measures for eradicating this plague of sloth and neglect which is rampant among the Inspecting staff employed in the various departments of the Municipality. Although I am going to deal with the accused to the fullest extent I am empowered to do, I cannot absolve the Municipality of all blame. They have neglected to discover this dangerous trade, which, according to the evidence of the Inspector in charge of this case, must have been going on for some time past, and consequently failed to adopt adequate precautions for preventing this pernicious practice of poison-purveying which is most detrimental to public health. My only regret is that I have not the power of sending these people to jail, nor have I the authority to punish the Municipality for their past neglect in this matter. I convict the accused and inflict the maximum penalty I am empowered to inflict, and sentence them to pay a fine of Rs. 100 each.

CHARGE OF DEFAMATION.

IN the Esplanade Police Court, Mr. Chunilal H. Setalvad, Acting Third Presidency Magistrate, has disposed of the charge of defamation preferred by Rahamim Samuel Tatkar against Aaron Reuben Pezarkar, both of them Bene-Israels, in that the latter had, in an affidavit sworn on 1st August, stated that the complainant was an insolvent who had taken the benefit of the Act. This statement, the complainant averred, was untrue. On the 15th August, he applied for sanction to prosecute Pezarkar for perjury on account of the defamatory allegation in question : the notice of motion was argued on the 5th September before the Hon. Mr. Justice Macleod, who discharged it but ordered that the paragraph about the insolvency be expunged from the affidavit. Hence this complaint. Mr. S. G. Velinkar appeared for the complainant, and Mr. N. N. Saher, Barrister-at-law, defended the accused. The defence of the accused was that the occasion was privileged.

The Magistrate, in delivering judgment, said that he was bound by the decisions of the Bombay High Court, chiefly by the one in Queen Empress *vs.* Balkrishna Vittal, (I. L. R., 17 Bom. 573) and Queen Empress *vs.* Babaji, (I. L. R. 17 Bom. 127.) Whatever his own opinion might be, it was for the aggrieved party to go to the High Court and have the law argued and fixed up once for all ; especially so, as some of the arguments advanced against these two decisions appeared to him to be unanswerable. In discharging the accused, the Magistrate expressed his indebtedness both to Mr. Velinkar and Mr. Saher for the very valuable assistance they had rendered him by carefully discussing the point. The Magistrate held that, under the circumstances, no charge could be framed by him against the accused; the more so, as he did not believe the evidence for the prosecution, on the point of alleged malice on the part of the accused ; no malice had been proved by the complainant.

The accused was discharged.

SMUGGLING FOREIGN OPIUM.

IN the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Chunilal H. Setalvad, Acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Barker charged Chuni Begam, (45), and Husenbi Sirajulmulk, (43), with importing into Bombay from Basreh, contraband foreign opium, 19 tolas and 12 tolas, respectively, in contravention of Clause E, Sec. 9, of Act I of 1878. Accused pleaded guilty and they were fined Rs. 50 and Rs. 15, respectively. Nazmunnisa Begam, (72), a poor pilgrim, was charged under similar circumstances with bringing into Bombay over four tolas of contraband opium. She pleaded guilty and was fined Rs. 40.

"VIHARI" SEDITION CASE.

Editor Released on Bail.

On Tuesday, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Knight, in the Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay, Mr. G. K. Gadgil, instructed by Messrs. Raghavaga Bhimji and Nagindas, applied for the letting out on bail of Bhaskar Vishnu Phadke, editor of the "Vihari" newspaper, a Marathi weekly, who had been commtited for trial in the Sessions by Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, for publishing seditious articles in his paper, in contravention of Section 124 A of the Penal Code. The first application was made on Saturday last to the same learned Judge, but Mr. Nicholson, Government Solicitor and Public Prosecutor, stated that proper notice had not been given to the Crown of the application. On this account, and on the ground of defect in the affidavits, the learned Judge rejected the applicaton ; but granted permission to Mr. Gadgil to renew it on the strength of fresh affidavits. Under these circumstances, the application was renewed on Tuesday, Mr. Gadgil and Mr. Nicholson being present.

The learned Judge granted the application, and Phadke was released on bail, with two sureties, on Rs. 4,000.

THE WEATHER.

STANDARD BAROMETER READINGS.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32 deg. F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) on the 30th October was 29·907. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder was 12ft. at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer supposing the reading to be 30·00 and that of attached thermometer 80 deg. F, will be 14 and this will be higher or lower by·01 for each 4 deg. In the case of aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern, either mercurial or aneroid, above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet it will read higher or lower by·01 for each 11 feet. The readings given above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 30TH OCTOBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours Wednesday, the 30th October, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

Punjab.—No rain has fallen in this district. Calms and west-north-westerly winds prevail generally. The sky is cloudless. The temperature and humidity are both about normal.

United Provinces.—No rain is reported from this district. The wind direction was calm. The sky is cloudless. The day temperature was 4°. to 5°. hotter than usual at Jhansi, Cawnpore and Allahabad and the minimum 5°. cooler at Cawnpore. Humidity is much less than usual.

Sind and Rajputana.—No rain has fallen in these districts. Calms and north-westerly winds prevail generally. The sky is almost free from clouds. Weather during the day time was 4° warmer than usual in Rajputana and at Karachi and the minimum 4° higher at Karachi. The air is damper than usual in Sind and slightly drier in Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—These districts have been rainless. Wind direction was calm in Central India West while north-easterly, southerly and north-westerly winds are blowing elsewhere. The sky is almost free from clouds. Weather during the day time was 3° to 8° warmer than usual throughout the district while the minimum temperature agreed almost closely with the normal. The air is drier than usual.

Central Provinces.—This district has been rainless. Winds are variable in direction being north-easterly at Amraoti, southerly or south-easterly at Akola and Khandwa, south-westerly or westerly at Jubbulpore, Saugor and Nagpur and northerly at Raipur. Hoshangabad recorded calm. The sky is clear. Yesterday's day temperature was 2° to 4° hotter than usual and last night's minimum 4° to 8° cooler than usual throughout the district. The saturation in the atmosphere is considerably less than usual.

Konkan.—No rain has fallen. Calms and easterly winds prevail generally. The sky is almost free from clouds. The temperature and humidity are both approximately normal.

Bombay, Deccan and Hyderabad.—No rain has fallen in this district. Winds are easterly or south-easterly at Sholapur, Bijapur, Belgaum and Aurangabad, while calms and north-westerly winds prevail elsewhere. The sky is cloudless. Yesterday's maximum was 4° to 6° higher than usual and the minimum 2° to 5° cooler throughout the district. The amount of moisture in the air is considerably less than usual.

General Remarks.—The winds on the Coromandel Coast and in Ceylon are northerly or north-westerly and the sea is moderate at Madras and rough at Negapatam which are indications of squally unsettled weather in the Bay. In the Bombay Presidency weather continus fine and northerly winds are likely to blow along the Konkan Coast.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

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Via Suez Perfect.	Via Suez Perfect.	Via Direct Cable Perfect.	—	Via Bhamo Perfect.	Via Lisbon Vincent Perfect.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 30th Oct. 1907.

(Difference in longitude allowed for.)

Via	LATEST DATES.			TIME OCCUPIED IN TRANSMISSION.	
	D.	H.	M.	Hrs.	Mts.
Turkey	—	..	...	...	—
Teheran........	30	11	20 a m	3	5
Suez..........	30	1	55 p m	1	15

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., 30th Oct. 1907.

	Latest Date.	Maximum Time.		Minimum Time.	
		Hrs.	Mts.	Hrs.	Mts.
From Calcutta.....	30th Oct. 1907.	0	57	0	1
" Karachee ..	Ditto	0	14	0	2
" Madras	Ditto	0	33	0	4

NOTICES.

The Anglo-American Company notify that service gunboats between Trinidad and Amacura for telegrams destined for Venezuela have again been suspended, (27-6-06).

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The Bombay Gazette.

THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1907.

"STRANGE AND TRUE."

Most prominently advertised on the cover of the current number of the *Strand Magazine* is a new series of sketches entitled "Stories Strange and True." We do not know if the conductors of the Magazine undertake that the stories shall be both strange and true, or that they shall merely possess one or other attribute. But we hope the conductors may not be taken in as those of the "Wide Wide World" by M. de Rougemont. Judging from the first we assume that so long as they are strange it does not matter if they are true, and *vice versa*. Some then may be strange and some true. We put the first under the former category. Almost needless to say it concerns India. More interesting, that the scene of the story is laid within a few miles of Bombay, at Kanheri caves. The title of the story is "The Secret of the Temple" by Frederic Blair. We do not know the gentleman and can find no trace of him, or we would enquire for dates and one or two other little details—as, for instance, how it comes that the village of Kanheri is "six miles across country from the little town of Borivli" and "about midway between Delhi and Bombay." Trivial points of this kind matter little to magazine readers at home, and "Frederic Blair" may be a pseudonym. Nevertheless the writer of the article has visited the caves, so has the photographer who illustrates his article. He describes minutely the road across country, which, by the way, belongs to Mr. Chubildas Laloobhoy, the wealthy shipper of Bombay, who has on numerous occasions offered slices of it to Government for educational and charitable purposes. No one more than he will be interested in Mr. Blair's story, for the caves are on his land—land which has been in his possession for many years. The writer describes some of the caves with accuracy and they will be easily recognised by pic-nickers who have been there. But they will be surprised to hear that the "Dunbar cave" was for several years recently "shrouded in an apparently unfathomable mystery" which he and an unnamed companion solved. By "Dunbar" cave it is clear to us that Durbar cave is meant, the error probably being that of the printer. However, according to Mr. Blair, "no native could be bribed to go near the place and even the casual traveller gave it a wide berth. Tales were current in and about Bombay that this particular cave was haunted by an evil spirit."

The cause of it all was, we are told, that upon entering this great cave-temple "which is ninety feet long, forty-two wide and some nine feet in height," the most unearthly, nerve-racking sound would now and again, at regular intervals, issue out of its ink-black interior. Where it came from, nobody knew or even cared to find out. Sometimes it resembled a whine and sometimes it sounded like a sort of gurgle, but it was always blood-curdling. So the caves were never visited by anybody until our hero was induced to go by a friend who told him the "trip could be made in one day and we could pass the night at Borivli on our return journey." We wonder where—and why, since most people manage to get back to Bombay in time for dinner. But it sounds more adventurous to take more than a day over a twenty-two mile journey, and it is impossible to lend much romance to a common Saturday afternoon's cheap trip. However, with the aid of a native guide they found the caves, examined the interior of the temple—and returned to the vestibule to gaze upon "a huge statue of a woman in bas relief, over thirty feet in height and probably the first piece of carving in the whole temple." Our hero was not up in Buddhist or Hindu mythology, but what of that? "Hardly had we reached the foot of the statue when one of the most terrifying shrieks that I had ever heard pierced the interior gloom. My companion started and looked at me and I in turn shot an inquisitive glance in the direction of our guide. He, however, had departed post-haste and was even then bounding through an underbrush like a wild buck, yelling and waving his arms frantically"—which is strange, seeing that the photograph illustrating "the image of woman in relief" gives a knickerbockered youth reclining against her left foot and a turbaned native standing placidly less than five yards away. Nothing in India—we presume they offered him all—could tempt him to re-enter the place and assist in investigation. They referred the matter to a small group of villagers. What village they belonged to we are not told, but they turned their backs on Mr. Blair and his friend, taking a hurried departure, jabbering, gesticulating and casting terrified glances back in their direction. So the two men, with revolvers and plenty of cartridges, candles and old newspapers re-entered the caves, probably the first time a revolver has ever entered Kanheri caves. But the two explorers, whom the illustrations show to be bare-faced boys, were intent on solving the mystery.

Then follows a thrilling narrative of how Mr. Blair and his friend went through passage after passage, penetrated one small hole, then another, down a deep well by a bamboo-pole. Down they went into seven inches of water and found the shrieker to be a nicely adjusted piece of mechanism, composed for the most part of a hollow bamboo with its lower end divided into sections and a series of pipe-whistles which the falling water caused to give forth sounds. Then they discovered a door, which was covered with a thick plaster resembling earth. When Mr. Blair attempted to prize it open it fell towards him on a centre swing. "Anticipating trouble" he grasped his revolver and peered anxiously into a large room, its only opening being the door through which they went. "One glance about us and the tale was told. We had entered the hidden subterranean stronghold of a band of counterfeiters." In one corner of the room, the discoverer relates, were a large furnace and crucibles, tables and shelves. Lying on the latter was a complete set of dies which afterwards proved to have been used to some extent. One of the shelves was strewn with spurious coins of the issue of Akbar the Great, Emperor of Delhi. "The genuine coins of this issue," writes Mr. Blair, "are of some value to the collector and while we were in Bombay, the markets were so flooded with them that by the quantity alone their authenticity was doubted." All the pieces Mr. Blair and his friend found were of excellent reproduction. The spaces between the characters on the coin had been cleverly filled in with artificial black to make the coin look as if it had been in circulation for a long period, and all of them had been sweated. "Carrying a few of the dies and a number of coins, with the bamboo scarecrow, we retraced our steps, well satisfied at having solved what had so long been a baffling mystery. . . As I write this the whistles now mute hang upon the wall after years of faithfully performed duty as the weird sentinel of the caves of Kanheri." Baron Munchausen, in proof of his assertion that his little dog had killed a hare the previous evening, offered to show his friends the hare alive in a basket. We wonder what the Thana Police have to say about Mr. Blair. It is a strange story no doubt, and as the Italians say: *si non e vero ben trovata.*

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Diseased Meat. The raid of the Municipal Commissioner the other day on importers of contraband meat into the City have had the desired result. The maximum penalty has been imposed and the Bench paid fitting tribute to the energy and vigilance of Mr. Edwardes. Since the announcement of the capture of the culprits was effected we have been told that former raids were made and offenders arrested. But to our questions what became of them and the diseased meat, no answer has been vouchsafed. However, in the case disposed of yesterday, the meat has been confiscated and the offenders fittingly punished—facts which give special significance to a striking article in a recent number of the *Nineteenth Century* on "Diseased meat and milk," written by Dr. Mearns Fraser who is the Medical Officer of Health for Portsmouth. Mr. Edwardes' timely vigilance has laid bare a systematic attempt, which must have been successfully going on for some time past, to smuggle into our town-markets contraband and possibly diseased meat. We see that amongst the culprits caught red-handed there are some employes of the Municipality, and that some of the tainted meat was actually being brought along the Duncan Causeway in Municipal carts. This shows that there is a screw loose somewhere in Municipal supervision, and we hope the enquiry just closed may not lead to the discovery of the complicity of Municipal employes like that of 1874, during the course of which "a system of fraud and extortion carried on by many of the members of the Market Slaughter-house establishment came to light," as Mr. L. J. Michael records in his History of the Bombay Municipality. Dr. Fraser, to whose article we have referred, brings forcibly before the public at home the dangers to which it is exposed in this matter of importation of diseased meat and milk. Diseased meat can be detected and its importation can be stopped; but in the case of milk from diseased animals, especially tubercle-infected milk, the danger to the public is greater and not amenable to any remedy short of compulsory inspection of all milch cattle. The inspection of milk is useless, as a mere naked-eye observation cannot detect the tubercle bacilli which it may contain. This requires repeated tedious examinations with a high-power microscope, which are of course out of the question in ordinary life. "What is required is the systematic inspection of all cattle by properly qualified veterinary inspectors; the weeding out and destruction (with compensation where deemed deserving) of all diseased animals; the improvement of the conditions under which animals are kept so that they do not engender disease; and lastly, on which success or failure turns, the officers appointed must be under the control of an authority which can be trusted to administer the law conscientiously, and the members of this authority must be neither amenable to, nor likely to be influenced by, local interests. What Dr. Fraser hints at in this last statement is that the district Municipal Authorities are mainly composed of persons who are interested in the meat and milk trades and therefore cannot be trusted to check irregularities in these.

Fortunately this does not apply to us. Our Municipal Authority is all right in this matter; only some of its subordinates sometimes, when the vigilance over them is relaxed, are found wanting. In the case of meat, we have a public slaughter-house at Bandra where alone cattle can be slaughtered and all slaughter of cattle for dietary purposes anywhere else is forbidden. We believe cattle are inspected at the cattle-market at Bandra before they are slaughtered. This is a good arrangement and it has worked fairly well; it only requires an ever vigilant eye to watch its working. But Dr. Fraser thinks that "the provision of abattoirs can never be relied upon to stop the traffic in diseased meat. There will always remain private slaughter-houses in country districts, and there will also, therefore, always be places where diseased animals can be slaughtered on the quiet and their flesh then conveyed for disposal in large towns" The flesh caught the other day on its entrance into Bombay was not that of animals slaughtered on the quiet, but of dead animals slaughtered by nature of what diseases Heaven only knows, and this heightens the guilt of the culprits. Rinderpest was only recently raging fearfully among the cattle of this City, and we shudder to think what germs of disease might not have been imported through the carrion from Chembur and Coorla in the past. What Dr. Fraser says from his own personal experience as to the systematic sale of diseased meat in London and its neighbouring places is startling enough. He has placed before the public in the *Morning Post* from time to time this experience. "By attendance at certain country cattle markets between London and Portsmouth, I have become possessed of direct evidence, that milch cows in the last stages of tuberculosis are regularly sold in open market for human consumption. I was induced to visit the markets by the number of tuberculous carcases which were removed from the slaughter-houses in Portsmouth and destroyed. In this town there is no public slaughter-house, and as slaughtering may take place at any hour of the day in a hundred private slaughter-houses, it is impossible to secure satisfactory inspection of animals killed for food." We should like to know whether tuberculous or other diseased carcases are found in any number among those slaughtered in our only slaughter-house at Bandra, and whether sufficient skill and care are taken to remove and destroy them before they enter our markets. We hope the whole question of the meat supply will be thoroughly enquired into without further delay.

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Irrigation in Egypt. The Official records of the Nile this year are the finest possible testimony to the value of the work done by British Engineers in Egypt and to the efficiency of British Administration there. The Nile flood of this year will go down to history as the lowest ever recorded in the annals of the river with the exception of that of 1877 when famine practically reigned in Egypt. Despite this the present year will also live in history as the most prosperous the fellaheen have ever enjoyed. The conditions North of Assiout, which means nearly the whole of middle Egypt, and all of the Delta are quite satisfactory. Under the circumstances it is matter for congratulation that the flood has proved so low. It has given the necessary opportunity of proving the value of the works which have been completed and given an impetus to those who are planning further works to extend the good which has already been done. For the lowest flood, with one exception, of modern times has given the largest cotton crop that Egypt has ever grown. And this means that the country's stability is assured. Previously it has been uncertain with the fluctuations of the annual flood. A low flood is unlikely to occur again for many years, but even should it come, Egypt has proved herself prepared and equal to the trial. The Ministry has just voted a credit of £15,000 to minimise as much as possible the area of fallow land in Upper Egypt consequent upon the flood. This is likely to be the last time such a grant will be needed for the Esra Barrage is practically completed and this reservoir will amply guarantee in future the irrigation of the highlands, however poor the flood may be. It is impossible not to sympathise to some extent with the archæologists who bemoan the loss of Philæ and the disappearance of other ancient monuments, but the sting has been taken from the regret.

The R. I. M. Steamer "Palinurus, Commander C. S. Hickman, arrived in harbour yesterday from Jaigud.

H. M. S. "Proserpine," under the command of Gaptain H. W. James, arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden, which port she left on the 21st October.

It is understood that there is still some probability of the Congress being held at Nagpur, but nothing is yet settled.

Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald Huuter, accompanied by his Staff, arrived in Bombay yesterday from Karachi by the B. I. Steamer "Linga."

Chapter XVII of our new Serial Story "Scarlet Town," by Alice and Claude Askew, will be found on page 6 of to-day's issue.

The Calcutta Turf Club has decided to permit twelve bookmakers at the big meeting. Last year there were seventeen. Horses, trainers and jockeys are arriving in Calcutta, and the training track opened last Monday.

Mr. Newlands, telegraph expert, who since his arrival in India has been inspecting the Central Telegraph Office at Simla and found much to admire, will leave for Calcutta on the 1st proximo. He will subsequently make a long tour.

The Dewan of Cochin has followed up his proceedings regarding the formation of an Agricultural Department in the State with another authorising an investigation into the fisheries, which, next to agriculture, are a potential source of wealth to the State. Mr. Abraham B. Salem, a District Court Vakil, has accordingly been deputed for the work of investigation. He has been specially selected because he served under Sir Frederick Nicholson in connection with his investigation of the Madras Fisheries for about two years. He is a member of the Jewish community of Muttoncherry, and a graduate in Arts and Law. The investigation will last six months, but this period will be extended for a further period of six months, if necessary.

Mr. Henry C. Frick, the Pittsburg ironmaster, has, it is stated, bought box No. 19 in the New York Metropolitan Opera House for more than £20,000. It was the first sale of a parterre box since 1903. The last previous sale was for £16,000.

Owing to the large number of puppies this season, the East Kent Hunt advertised for "foster mothers.' Amongst the replies received by the secretary was the following: "Dear Sir,—In reply to yours, I beg to offer my services. I am thirty-five years old, strong, and very fond of children."

Mr. Oscar Philippe, the proprietor of the Cavour Restaurant, Leicester-square, who has died at the age of sixty-five, entered that establishment as a waiter when he was twenty years old, and purchased the place out of his savings. Four years ago Mr. Philippe declined a cash offer of £120,000 for the site.

Alderman John C. Hamilton, who is to be the new Mayor of Preston, is a Baptist and a Liberal, and refuses to have either a mayoral procession or to go to church in state, and for this reason, he, five years ago, refused the mayoralty. The town will, therefore, for the first time for nearly three hundred years, be deprived of its mayoral procession.

There is a dearth of theatrical "supers" in Paris owing to the extension of the cinematograph. There are cinematograph shows everywhere in Paris now, and the companies which run them need number of people as actor and actresses for their living pictures. The general pay of the Paris "super" in a theatre was about 1s. a day, or even less, last season. This season managers are offering 2s. 6d. a day without success. The cinematograph companies are paying 6s. and 7s., and they engage their supers by the month, and in large numbers.

A German girl recently came into a fortune, which had such an effect upon her sweetheart that he married another woman. A man who heard of the story wrote to the Church Army:—"I am in very straitened circumstances. Can you tell me the whereabouts of that young lady and recommend me to her for a husband? I do not gumble or bet on races of any kind. You may not be able to get me any work that keep a man properly, but if you can get me married to her it may be a easier way out of my trouble. I am a single man. Anything that will bring me into further trouble is of no use to me. Kindly find out wether it is true about her cash."

A Montmartre tradesman delayed railway traffic for twenty minutes at a suburban station because the officials would not add a smoking carriage to the train on which he was about to return to Paris. The occupants of a non-smoking compartment objected to the tradesman's cigar, so he still puffing his cigar, lay down on the line in front of the engine and announced that he would remain there until he had finished smoking. Officials were summoned to argue with him and finally, when the train had been delayed twenty minutes, and the irate passengers demanded that it proceed regardless of the tradesman, he was forcibly removed and arrested.

PLAYS AND PASTIMES

"THE SUGAR BOWL."

Music and Memories.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, October 11.

The new Queen's Theatre—a pretty and commodious house, with unusually roomy stalls—was opened this week with a very insignificant and artificial comedy by Mrs. Madeleine Lucette Ryley. "The Sugar Bowl" is one of those plays in which the end is clearly foreseen ten minutes after the curtain rises, and the author's whole ingenuity is devoted to inventing devices for retarding in. If Mrs. Ryley had been content to retard it for three acts, her pleasant humour might have carried us through the evening without positive irritation; but when, at the end of the third act, a perfectly transparent misunderstanding was ruthlessly dragged in for the sake of wringing another act out of the theme, I confess that my patience gave way. The acting of Miss Ellis Jeffreys reconciled the audience to the flagrant foolishness of the situation. It may even save the play, but if so, it will be one of the actress's greatest achievements. The time is past for this sort of thing. If we are to dispense with commonsense—to say nothing of any higher intellectual quality—we demand more grace and distinction of style than Mrs. Ryley has to offer us.

VARIETIES.

To be quite candid, there was not much in "The New Aladdin" at the Gaiety which can be remembered without a special effort, but those who were in time to see that production may recall the fact that it served to introduce to the London public a small and dainty singer named Mlle. Gaby Deslys. One remembers also that the lady's advent was the subject of much preliminary comment, and furthermore, that the opportunity furnished in "The New Aladdin" for the display of her talent was, not to put too fine a point on it, exceedingly poor.

Now, however, Mlle. Deslys is to have a chance of justifying the reputation upon which she came all the way to England, for she has been engaged by the directorate of the Alhambra to appear at that establishment next Monday evening in a sketch or episode, or what not, entitled "La Journee d'Une Parisienne." In this Mlle. Deslys is to have the assistance of M. Georges Choof, and the act, it is understood, consists mainly of ringing and dancing. How the title is to be justified does not readily present itself, but that, after all, is no concern of ours; so long as the sketch proves an entertaining one everybody will be satisfied.

DIABOLO.

In a very little while the memory of the inventor of a game which, out of consideration for the feelings of the readers of this column I refrain from mentioning, will be abhorred by all men. After the amount of space devoted to it in the columns of the newspapers and the frenzied efforts in cold print to galvanize interest in the game into the people of this country, it is, of course, but inevitable that the thing should have got into the music-halls not only as the subject of a dozen more or less inane songs, but as material for demonstration by experts and duffers. Two quite obviously sane young men are doing it furiously at the Palace; it is seriously threatened at half a dozen other places, and we happen to know that Mr. Sam Elton, an extremely amusing comedian of the knockabout sort, will next week at the Alhambra introduce this awful visitation into his act. Happily, however, he will make fun of it, and, judging from a glimpse of his rehearsal, he will succeed in investing with a humorous aspect something which, hitherto, has presented itself as one of the most deadly serious crazes ever forced upon a suffering public.

MUSIC AND MEMORIES.

To many of those who have seen the new and beautiful ballet at the Alhambra the haunting sweetness of Planquette's music must have brought back memories of those days when the melodies of "Les Cloches" were on the lips and in the hearts of everybody. No one, it is safe to say, had heard the tunes so finely played as they are by the Alkambra orchestra. Of the numbers which cling most tenaciously to the memmory, "That Night I'll Ne'er Forget," the lovely waltz, "To Me No Stranger," which, for sheer fascination, is second to none of the present time, "The Legend of the Bells," and "Who are wanting Maidens must be mentioned, and these are played by the Alhambra orchestra as they have never been played before.

The difficulty of conveying in dumb show a story with which, after all, not everyone is familiar was great, but the Alhambra mimes are clever and the meaning comes from the face and the finger-tips. The last scene of all—the Baronial Hall—with its blazing show of armoured figures, is a splendid achievement, and fittingly crowns a series of beautiful pictures. But when all is said and done it is Planquette every time who warms your heart and sets your feet a-tapping with the rhythm of the music.

MISS ASHWELL.

For the opening of her new enterprise at the Kingsway—late Queen-street—Theatre, Miss Lena Ashwell has hit on a very remarkable play. Of Mr. Anthony P. Wharton I know nothing whatever; but it is quite certain that he possesses what the French call "the fingering of the dramatist." A more remarkable first play we have not seen since "Lady Windermere's Fan." It is not quite so good as the first act let us to hope; and yet even later acts show a curious dramatic, as distiuch from intellectual, originality: Noone but a writer who has in a very high degree the power of interesting an audience could have got the public to endure without a murmur the unnecessary brutalities of these scenes, and to applaud them with enthusiasm at the close.

THE PROFESSIONAL RUGBY PLAYERS.

The new Zealand Rugby footballers, as guests of the Northern Uuion, made their first appearance in England yesterday at Bramley, and beat the local club by 25 points to 6.

No combination of men affecting and exploiting a great health-giving game have set up so much discussion and invited so much criticism as the sturdy players who came to England recently. They have come to the Mother-country to give a fillip to professional Rugby, and it may be that the tour just begun will infuse new life into a game that had sadly deteriorated in the great industrial centres of the North of England.

This New Zealand Team are unquestionably possessed of immense talent and great genius for playing the game, but I seriously doubt whether, at the end of this their first match, they confessed to a liking for the type of Rugby as fashioned by the rules of the enterprising people who have induced them to put themselves out of amateur sport.

The rules governing Northern Union football have been tinkered with until, to the old stager, at all events, they are almost impossible. The real Rugby cannot be when the players number thirteen aside, when there is no line out, and when perfect touch-finding brings no reward.

R. C.

The disappearance of the island in the Bay of Bengal, is as sudden as its appearance in December last, when eruptions of the mud-volcanoes along the Arakan coast resulted in its upheaval. The whole of the Arakan coast is in a state of unstable equilibrium. The numerous mud-volcanoes, which rise to about 200 feet, usually show nothing more than slow welling up of saline mud with bubbles of marsh gas. Occasionally, however, they become active, and though the disturbance is generally not serious, it may be accompanied by changes in the ocean bed and by earthquakes of some severity. In the present instance the subsidal seems to have been quiet enough.

The match between President Roosevelt and the Bishop of London has attracted great attention in Paris. "Can you imagine," asks M. Harduin, in the "Matin," "President Fallieres in white trousers and flannel shirt, racket in hand, doing battle at tennis with a bishop? It is humiliating for us that our President has the look of a man who would soon get 'winded,' and who would not make even a passable champion. He would never carry the national colours to victory in a bout of boxing with a cardinal or a foreign monarch. Seriously, if Mr. Roosevelt's example is to be followed, we shall have to alter our methods of electing a President. We shall want for the next Presidential election a broad-backed, muscular heavy-weight, strong enough to throw all the bishops in Christendom."

THE REAL SWITZERLAND.

It is still there. I was sure of it when, all begrimed with the long dark journey as I was, my cab crept up the steep drive bordered with hedges of roses of Madame de Sevigne's own "couleur d'aurore." Quite at the bottom there was still the "Salon Vert," ringed about with dew-pearled hydrangeas—that great noble chestnut under which more than one poet has dreamt the dream that is music at the awakening: Theuriet of the mountain flowers. Coppee of the "butterflies all blue"; these have wandered in the garden that I love and who can guess what of its delicate magic they have borrowed? But other people are not sure at all. Yesterday Edorard Rod aired his "Doleances" caustically in the "Journal de Geneve", wailing over his own lake lined with crude stucco barracks instead of those snug whose very names fascinate. Could Beussean realise that the "Bosquet de Julie," is now the "palace Hotel" would the forlorn ghost feel sadder than the brilliant novelist as he rurefully adds that the word palace is nearly Esperanto", finding cold comfort in his own concluson that, after all "Less hommes out de peine a gater tout a fait less belles de la nature"?

This grudging concession may have resulted from evenings spent opposite the dim purple wall of Saleve, which, if it is here maligned for daring to blot out Mont Blanc himself, can at certain moons show Diana quite descending to Endymion, just as she did for me when an Early Victorian education quaintly included the study of a shiny black book I adored, "Keightley's Mythology."

Then, too, after days all peace and sunshine, writes Rowland Grey in "Pall Mall Gazette" when the very cook conpired against the commonplace when old illusions met me in the market with the haunting scent of the honeyed cyclamen, when something of the "light that never was" glimmered in the depths of the Rhone, there came a disquieting letter signed by that friend whose name will not soon be forgotten, becouse he has worked for an unselfish end. One of those letters no one is supposed to write in an age of telephones, but which yet fly to and fro and risk being kept to vitalise the memoirs of our day of bustle when it is strangely still: "You dazzle me with the list of brilliant names you wave in my envious eyes. Here we are a company of stockbrokers and something-in-the-City. We read the *Financial Times*, and receive long cables in cipher which we leave carelessly about. Also we travel *mit Bedienung* (three persons). We curse the cantonal laws because they do not allow us to bring 'any' of our cars. We go about all day in the hotel gardens in stupendous knicker-bockers, ironclad boots, ice-axes, and Tyrolese hats garnished with edel: weiss and the plumage of strange wildfowl, but we never go up anything except by funiculaire. We eat an enor-mous amount and grumble at all of it. We turn Rosendorf and Alpenfee into suburbs of Piccadilly, and we should be really and trully happy if Mr.——would only send over a musical comedy. 'The Merry Swiss Girl' or 'The Edelweiss Girl,' in pink chiffon, with a twenty-guinea hat. . . . Why do not the Swiss rise up and slay the stranger instead of merely skinning him? Do you remember the old days at Zermatt? How we used to travel all up the St. Nicholas Valley laboriously on our own feet or those of other donkeys? What a jolly lot of folk we were in the hotels! Were you ever at Bel-Alp?—but of course you weren't—what time Tyndall was enthroned there, and Lord and Lady Salisbury and all the little Cecils played rounders on the gravel outside. Anyhow Switzerland is still 'sunny'—I have never seen such sun or tasted such air."

Next there comes a lament from my own particular entomologist complaining that everything in the country is up for sale reminding me of those good tramps we took together in thymescented dead summers, and finally came a visit from a Swiss mountaineer who had found his Riffelalp a lost Paradise with a fat Jewess in the foreground shrieking as she clasped plump bediamonded hands; "Ach du libes Matterhornchen? to the scornful ice-needles. The superior, of course, know the Switzerland where Mr. Bernard Shaw found the "chocolate cream soldier," ready to be the hero of "Arms and the Man," that we may still laugh in a dull world.

All agree the real Switzerland is no more, though we may read of it in Monsieur Auguste Blendel's charming Life of Topffer, kindliest of all caricaturists, devout lover of trees, incomparable chronicler of "Voyages en Zig-Zag," so different from the smallbeer twaddling of the tourists "Bord du Lac," their weird garments half-hidden in the moving clouds of motos dust.

It is daring to insist against such authority that there is still a Switzerland not too hopelessly unlike the land of Gibbon and of Byron, of De Stael, and Rousseau, and all who make tradition for us. Nowhere, certainly, is the home sentiment deeper than with the Genevese, who love their white town so intensely they have always built their country houses at her very gates. For centuries they have been there, and they cling tenaciously to these seductive dwellings, full of antique furniture no American dollars can buy. To go up a terrace on fire with begonias and cannas, and to be shown a table on which Napoleon—once a guest here—is said to have planned the Italian campaign, is to realise this veryplainly.

Another house, rich with sculptures and pictures, has been the romance of its bachelor owner, too poor to live in more than a room or two, but sacrificing every other pleasure and luxury to hand it perfect to distant heirs. He will never let it; for him his sole object in life is the preservation of his treasures, and to allow strangers to invade it would be death to his pride; surely the author of the "Spoils of Poynton" would find here a "subject made to his hand." At Coppet itself in the chief rooms "not a chair has been changed." I was told this by one of Madame de Stael's own descendants—a gracious lady, who seemed to have strayed from an eighteenth-century salon to make us regret our own unleisured hurry as she held her court in her own chateau, as charming in age as in youth. So that if in the moonlight Recamier glided back to that dainty bedroom, all palest green and white, like a spring orchard, she would find it all ready. Coppet has one curiosity often overlooked—"Madame de Stael au naturelle," and not the "Corinne" of turbans and laurel-sprays; just a portrait of an especially ugly little girl, with a tall tower of powdered, pomatumed hair, stuffed on cushions heavy for a fourteen-year-old head, and in no way suggesting the dauntless defier of Napoleon For me not Coppet, where the restless exile lies quiet at last in the park like "la belle au bois dormant"; not Ferney, with what little is left of Voltaire's bed-curtains, is most attractive. but the abode of that very blue-stocking Mr. Marcet who let her pentret" conerning political economy and much else that was weighty, what time the lake lay there in silver corot hazes as I saw it. For the real Switzerland had welcomed me with a surprise packet—a great pile of unpublished letters from the sedate Maria Edgeworth letter she vainly begged the recipient to burn, bonest and altogether modest as they are.

She visited the Marcets at Malagny where an English gardener planned the park; and in the where I fingered an original Gibbon sumptuous in gold and brown calf noted a little Scott printed in Paris and those early Edinburgh "Reviews" where Syndey Smith out Papa Edgeworth's "Practical Education" all to pieces; I liked to picture Byron's "good little Jeantte Deans sort of body, well looking, if not handsome." These letters show her "tres femme"—"for all my stoical education"—show, perhaps, that ugly, impulsive Edelcrantz was not the only man who ever touched a very true heart. "Mon sincere et inalterable ami": did Maria in the noisy drawing room at Edgworthtown quote those words from his letter with any bashful half-thought of French meaning such as made Lucy Snowe refuse "Mon ami" to Paulu Emanuel—"Amour d'Automne," the name of Theuriet's much-wept-ouer story, might perhaps apply here.

Habit has made us forget that Chamonix is not Swiss and even Theuriet's home at lovely little Talloire, on the Lake of Annecy seems more Swiss than French, though all the frail heroines in the fiction of France—and how many of them have?—should seek solitude a "deux" in such a pays "du tendre." I saw Talloire just when the pale cracuses were flinging amethysts upon the green slopes above it, where St. Bernard preached if we care to accept the violet of a legend; and our motor came swinging down from such a dizzy height it might have seemed a restless eerie spirit chased from the stronghold of beauty and of solitude, down to the great hotel—beautiful because once a monastery—all among modish small Parisiennes playing "Diabolo" in preposterous lace frills.

Perhaps Savoy is the real Switzerland; I thought so after reading Henri Bordeaux's fine "Peur de Vivre" and "Les Roquevillard," with its unforgettable vineyard pictures, after spending a day in a Savoy farm, high up on despised Saleve, where life seemed strangely good among the golden-rods and scented wild raspberries, and the cow bells made their homely restful music that "gentlier on the spirit lies" than so many more perfect harmonies.

It was a Stevenson "clear night full or stars" when I got back to the garden, with odorous bouvardias all awake. There, in a moved voice. someone told of a visit to Chatenay to the dying Sully Prudhomme; another how long ago he had been at one of those receptions where the "cher maitre" had such a supreme courtesy ready for every dweller in the "Parnasulet Contemporain." "La Voie Lactee" shone milky-white above, and I knew that the real Switzerland can never be quite destroyed. I was there because the gate of Eden had been unlocked by the silver key of friendship.

The King of Siam's European tour, when finally completed, will have been one of the most elaborate and expensive ever undertaken by an Eastern potentate. Falling an early victim to the photographic craze, he immediately ordered a dozen cameras of the latest pattern, and "pressed the button" so assiduously, and in so many interesting places, that a giant stock of negatives soon accumulated. Very varied in subject-matter are these royal photographs, the "Bystander" says. There are bathing scenes at Ostend, seascape effects in Norway, domestic incidents at Grand Ducal homes in Germany which the King and his sons visited, Buckingham Palace from the outside, and the King and President Fallieres walking arm-in-arm in the Bois at Paris.

THE SPANISH TOUR.

ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND.

.Reception in London.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

The King and Queen of Spain have arrived at Portsmouth on board the "Renown." Their Majesties met with a splended welcome.

The mishap at Cherbourg was due to the carelessness of the local engine-driver.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Princess Henry of Battenberg, and a crowd of distinguished persons welcomed the King and Queen of Spain at Victoria Station.

Their Majesties proceeded to Kensington Palace.

THE GERMAN COURT SCANDAL.

Justifiable Libel.

OVATION FOR HARDEN.

REVULSION IN FAVOUR OF MOLTKE.

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

The President of the Court declared that Harden's articles were all libellous, but their truth proved the libel to be justified.

Crowds waited outside the court in the rain, and Harden received an ovation as he left..

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

The dignified attitude of Count Moltke during the trial and other circumstances have produced a considerable revulsion of feeling in his favour. It is considered that he has been sinned against rather than sinning.

HOME POLITICS.

The Failure of the Hague.

INTENTIONS OF THE LORDS.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

Lord Milner was the principal speaker at a Unionist banquet at Guildford last evening.

He exhorted Unionists to develop a constructive policy of practical social reform as the real antidote to revolutionary Socialism.

Mr. Haldane, speaking at Newcastle, emphasized the necessity of attending to the national defences as the Hague Conference had shown that harmony among the nations had not yet been achieved.

He dwelt on the impracticableness of Socialism, and said it was the Government's resolution to make the House of Lords conform to the will of the nation.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at Tayport, dealt exclusively with the reform of the House of Lords. He was persistently heckled by Suffragettes.

NEW NAVAL APPOINTMENT.

The Naval War College.

HIGHER EDUCATION WANTED.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

The appointment of Rear-Admiral Lowry to command the Naval War College in succession to Captain Slade, is regarded as a new departure, indicating the intention to expand the establishment in order to provide more adequately for the higher education of Naval Officers

SHOOTING IN AUSTRALIA.

Home Team Victorious.

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

In an Empire Rifle Match at Sydney, the Australian team made 2,104 points, New Zealand made 2,056, and Great Britain 2,053.

RUSSIA AND INDIA.

The Through Railway Route.

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

The "Novoye Vremya" publishes the first of a series of articles advocating the construction of a railway to India as the complement to the Anglo-Russian Convention.

BRITISH MINISTER TO SIAM.

Double Honours.

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

Mr. Paget, British Minister to Siam, has been gazetted as Commander of the Victorian Order.

He was married quietly yesterday, at Kingston Vale, to Leila, daughter of Sir Arthur Paget.

SENSATION IN EDINBURGH.

Arrest of Magistrate Ayling.

LONDON. OCTOBER 30.

A sensation has been caused in Edinburgh by the arrest of Magistrate Ayling, who has just resigned partnership with Constables, the Publishing Firm. He is accused of forging large bills. It is said that he forged the name of Mr. John Morley, to whom he is related.

He has been refused bail.

EARTHQUAKES IN CALABRIA.

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

Shocks of varying severity continue in Calabria.

THE AUSTRIAN EMPEROR.

Convalescent Exercise Permitted.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

The Emperor Francis Joseph took a walk yesterday for the first time since his illness.

THE CRISIS IN AMERICA.

RECORD AMOUNTS DEPOSITED WITH BANKS.

Extreme Scarcity of Specie.

SEVERAL STOCK BROKERS FAIL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 29.

The Bank to-day discounted only short bills at five per cent. and asked six per cent. for three months' bills.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

It is stated at Washington that seventy million dollars has been deposited with the National Banks exceeding the records of previous financial crisis.

LATER.

The extreme scarcity of specie is causing acute financial stress throughout America.

A large number of Banks are issuing Clearing House certificates for settlements between banks,

The enforcement of the sixty days' notice for the withdrawal of deposits is becoming general. Several Firms of Stock Exchange Brokers have closed down.

NEW MAIL CONTRACT FOR AUSTRALIA.

Negociations with the Orient Line.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

A telegram from Melbourne states that Mr. Deakin has practically concluded the Mail contract negociations with the Orient Line which has made some substantial concession to the Commonwealth Government.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

Result and Starting Prices.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30

The result of the Cambridgeshire stakes is as follows :—

Landleague	1
Malua	2
Stickup	3

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

The following is the result of the Cambridgeshire :—

Landleague	1
Malua	2
Stickup	3

Also ran.—Dinneford, Andover, Dean Swift, Roseate Dawn, Sagamore, Linacre, Longcroft, Hanover Square, Hayden, Lady Hasty, Romney and Retort.

Starting Prices :—8 to 1 against Landleague, 2 to 1 against Malua, and 8 to 1 against Stickup.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, OCTOBER 30.

Gerald Massey is dead.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

Sympathy of the Viceroy.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, OCTOBER 30.

The following telegram, dated Simla the 26th instant, has been received from the Private Secretary to the Viceroy by the Commissioner of Lahore:—

"With reference to the railway accident at Kot Kapura, I am directed to request, that you will convey to the wounded, the Viceroy's hearty sympathy and His Excellency's sincere condolences to hte relatives of those who were killed."

A serious accident occurred on Tuesday morning near Jagdhri, a station on the North-Western Railway, between Saharanpur and Umballa, owing to a goods train colliding with the 27 "down" passenger, whilst travelling at a good rate of speed. The drivers of both the trains were killed as also two native passengers. It is believed the native driver of the goods train ran through the station without regard to the signals and the "line clear" pass.

RAILWAY CHANGES IN INDIA.

The Ambition of Madras.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, OCTOBER 30.

Anent the Secretary of State's latest decision regarding the Madras Railway *i. e.* to hand over the Bangalore Section to the Southern Mahratta Railway and to leave the point of junction with the G. I. P. Railway at Raichur as at present, the "Madras Mail" says :—

"Mr. Morley's to be congratulated and with him the Government of India on the decision. The Chamber of Commerce, the Port Trust and the Trades Association must also feel gratified with the result of their representations continued in spite of every possible discouragement. We cannot but think that the change in the decision so different in October to that announced in June (though the papers have not been published) must be due to the support of the Madras Government to whom the Madras commerce and the trade must feel deeply indebted for so successfully championing their cause. While Madras has gained free access to Mysore, the necessity for which was insisted on and has retained the cotton trade, the loss of which was threatened, the extension to Wadi contemplated in 1900, the importance of which was so strongly urged by the Chamber and the Trades Association has as yet been refused. There would appear to be still scope for further representation on this point while Madras may yet hope to see in 1910 the attainment of its ideal of one large Railway Administration with its headquaters in Madras."

The Secretary of State's decision regarding the redistribution of South Indian Railway System includes the handing over to the Southern Mahratta Railway of the Section from Bangalore to Nungangod.

CHARGE AGAINST A MAHARAJA'S UNCLE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

An extraordinary case in which an uncle of the Maharaja Mourbanj was charged with having swindled one Dijendra Mohan Mustaffi of Rs. 1,500, was commenced yesterday before the Alipore Police Magistrate.

THE BEADON SQUARE RIOTS.

Government and the Investigation.

PRAISE FOR THE POLICE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

The Resolution of the Bengal Government on Mr. Collin's report regarding the recent disturbances in Calcutta, published to-day, says :—

"The Report is very far from being as complete and careful as was to be desired. The orders to Mr. Collin were to enquire fully and with care into the situation in Calcutta, as to the justification for dispersing the Beadon Square Meeting, as to the supervision of the police and into any specific allegations regarding their action. Mr. Collin has not fulfilled satisfactorily the wishes of the Lieutenant-Governor in his enquiry.

"It has been hurried and consequently is incomplete and perfunctory in parts. Mr. Collin was proceeding on leave and the enquiry proved to be a heavier piece of work than was anticipated. It would have been well had Mr. Collin postponed this leave for a week when he ascertained the state of the case, for he might then have sifted and tested the statements made to him. This work will now have to be committed to another officer. There are however some points which are made clear in these papers. There has clearly been gross exaggeration in the attacks on the police and there is no doubt that the charges which have been made against the police as a body are not justified by facts. In the first place Sir Andrew Fraser sees no reason to doubt that the police were fully justified in breaking-up the meeting in Beadon Square on the evening of the 2nd instant. The statement that brickbats were thrown at them has not been rebutted. Several of the speakers had (and not then for the first time) held them up to opprobrium and it is not surprising that some of their hearers should have taken the method of showing their sympathy with what was said.

"It appears to be clear that at first the rioters were chiefly young Bengalis such as usually attend meetings in Beadon and College Squares. When once the peace was broken, however, large numbers of labourers and Gundas were attracted to the streets and began rioting and looting on their own account. On both nights the police were themselves the main object of attack. They were pelted with brickbats from bylanes and house-tops and their attention was distracted altogether from their ordinary duties of watch and ward by the necessity of pursuing and endeavouring to catch their assailants. That, while this was going on, some looting and acts of violence should have taken place is no matter for surprise.

"This is sure to happen in Calcutta whenever the attention of the police is distracted from their proper duties.

"It is also alleged that some of Subordinate Police Officers themselves took advantage of the darkness and the general confusion to commit illegal acts and it is possible that this was the lower ranks of the police who require discipline and control.

"For all this lawlessness the responsibility rests rather with those who organized the attacks on the police force. No accusations have been preferred against the Superior Officers of the Force and the Lieutenant-Governor cannot hold them responsible for acts committed behind their backs when their entire attention was devoted to the suppression of a riot in which they were themselves the principal objects of attack.

"The papers submitted by Mr. Collin afford ground for believing that on the whole the police were kept well in hand and behaved well, considering the provocation that was offered to them. Their conduct at the time of the dastardly attack on Sergeant Walters was most creditable as indicating their discipline and self-restraint."

The Resolution then goes on to say that the Lieutenant-Governor has decided to place an officer on special duty to investigate all cases in which definite statements are made against individual members of the Police Force with a view to the vindication of the police or to the prosecution or departmental punishment of all Police Officers against whom sufficient evidence is obtainable. Mr. Donald Weston the Magistrate at Midnapore has been selected for this duty and he commences his inquiry immediately. A most unsatisfactory feature of the disturbances is the fact that they took their origin in the riotous conduct of a class which is usually, orderly and well behaved. His Honour cannot resist the conclusion that this is the direct outcome of the violent writing and speaking which has been indulged in for months past by irresponsible agitators. The regrettable incidents which have taken place must have convinced the more respectable and "Law-abiding Sections" of the community of the dangers which attend on all incitements to race hatred and violence. His Honour hopes that they will now use any influence they have to arrest this mischievous folly and that they will support the Government in taking suitable measures to preserve peace even though these measures involve restrictions on privileges which it has hitherto been the pride of the British Government to confer on all its subjects.

The Annexures which comprise the Chief Secretary's letter to the Bengal Government and Mr. Collin's report occupy five or six columns of paper.

BENGALIS' PRIVATE ENQUIRY CLOSED.

Report to be Widely Circulated.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

The People's Commission, after recording evidence of something like 200 persons who suffered in the riots, either personally or in property, has now closed.

The "Empire" learns that the Bengali gentlemen who took the lead in the matter have decided on a remarkable course in order to give their case the fullest possible publicity not only in India but also in England. Every one of the witnesses who came forward to give evidence as to hurt received in the riots has been photographed, where possible, showing the injuries. These photos will be included in a bulky volume that is to be prepared and published, Copies of this will sent to the Lieutenant-Governor and the Government of India and the intention of the Commission is to send a copy of the full report to every English Member of Parliament, and Mr. Morley will be an early recipient of the volume.

ENQUIRY BY MR. DONALD WESTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

At the instance of the Government of Bengal, orders have been issued at the Office of the Commissioner of Police, intimating that an inquiry will be made by Mr. Donald Weston at the Legislative Council Hall, Writers Buildings, into all complaints preferred against the action or culpable inaction of the Police on the occasion of the recent riots in Calcutta, on the 2nd and 3rd instant, between the hours of 11 and 4, on 1st November, excepting 5th, 6th, 8th, or 9th November being public holidays, when no inquiry will be held.

YOUTHFUL RIOTERS PUNISHED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

Yesterday Mr. Kingsford, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, ordered two Bengali boys concerned in the recent rioting in Chitpur to whipping of fifteen stripes each as juveniles, while another youngster of twelve years old was bound down in the sum of Rs. 50 to be of good behaviour.

THE CASE AGAINST SARBADHICARY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 30.

The case of S. C. Sarbadhicary, Editor of the "Hindu Patriot," was adjourned until this morning, and after a further hearing, was held over until to-morrow.

TO-MORROW'S COUNCIL MEETING AT SIMLA.

Amendments on the Seditious Meetings Bill.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 30.

At next Friday's meeting of the Viceroy's Legislative Council Sir Harvey Adamson will move that the Seditions Meetings Bill be taken into consideration and passed, and the Hon. Mr. Gokhale and the Hon. Dr. Rash Behary Ghose will move a number of amendments in opposition.

Dr. Ghose's amendments are as follows :—

1. That in the preamble, line 2, before the word "meetings" the word "public" be added.
2. That Clause 3 be omitted.
3. That in Clause 3, sub-clause 1, line 4, before the word "class" the word "specific" be added and the words "or portion" be omitted.
4. That Clause 3 sub-clause 2 be omitted.
5. That Clause 3, sub-Clause 3 be omitted.
6. That in Clause 4, sub-Clause 2, line 5, after the word "Meeting" the words a "within the provisions of sub-section (1)" be added.
7. That in Clause 5, line 6, after the word "Meeting" the words "within the provisions of section 4, sub-section (1)" be added.

Note.—Numbers, 3 4 and 5 to be moved if amendment 2 is negatived.

Hon. Mr. Ghokale's amendments are :—

1. That in Clause 3, Sub-clause 3 of the Bill, for the word "twenty" the word "fifty" be substituted.
2. That in Clause 4, sub-clause (1), fifth line of the Bill for the word "subject" the word "grievance" be substituted.
3. That in Clause 9 of the Bill for the word "three" the word "one" be substituted.

DARING BORDER DACOITY.

Sudden Raid by Afridis.

POLICE KILLED AND WOUNDED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, OCTOBER 30.

A daring dacoity was carried out at Publi village near Peshawar on the evening of Monday last. At about seven o'clock a band of dacoits believed to number 19 or 20 persons, broke into the house of two Hindu merchants in the village and looted its contents. While making their way off they came across the police with whom shots were exchanged and a constable and sepoy belonging to 45th Sikhs were wounded. The dacoits then made their way westwards relieving the Camp of the Revenue Assistants at Tarn of two horses on the way. By this time hue and cry was raised and all the available police were despatched in tumtums from Peshawar in order to try and cut off the retreat of the dacoits. Another encounter then took place between them at Jungle Burj, not far from Babahar village where a constable was killed and another wounded. Two horses and some bundles of clothes were however recovered. So far it is not known whether any dacoits were hit. One man was caught who was unable to give an account of himself and who is believed to belong to the gang. It is tolerable certain that this raid was carried out by Afridis from beyond the border.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 30.

A band of armed men believed to be Zabha Khels last Sunday raided a village half way between Peshawar and Nowshera. They kidnapped two Hindus and in making off afterwards came upon a party of 45th Sikhs upon whom they fired wounding one sepoy. Later on they passed the Camp of the Indian revenue Assistant at Turnat. They wounded this officer and carried off his chuparassie and some horses. The chuprassie and the kidnapped Hindus afterwards escaped or were released. One of the raiders is believed to have been wounded. The horses were subsequently recovered by the Border military police.

INTERESTING FIND AT DELHI.

Excavations at Purana Kila.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, OCTOBER 30.

A Delhi Correspondent writes :—"When the Amir latterly visited olden Delhi, he evinced a particular interest in the Sher Shah mosque at Purana Kila and gave Rs. 850 for the repairs of the old well adjacent which, by means of a Persian wheel and earthenware pipes, conveyed the water-supply. In the course of the excavations within the Mosque in sinking a new well some supposed Hindu temple ruins have been discovered at a depth of eight feet and it is thought these may prove of particular archæological interest."

BISHOP COTTON'S SCHOOL SIMLA.

Prize Day.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 30.

Presiding at the prize distribution at Bishop Cotton's School here to-day General Scott congratulated the Headmaster and his staff upon the progress which had been made in spite of some discouragements during the past year, and said that the school is meeting a great need amongst the rising generation of our fellow countrymen in India :—

Colonel Willams, R. E., Major Douglas, and Mr. Lewis, also spoke. There was a large gathering of past and present students and their friends.

GRAMOPHONE CONCERT AT SIMLA.

The wind-up of the Season, from a musical point of view, took place at the Town Hall on the 18th inst. when the Gramophone Company introduced to a large and fashionable audience, including the Viceroy, Countess Minto, Lady Ibbetson and the Viceregal Party, such stars in the musical firmament, as Melba, Patti, Caruso, Mischa, Elman, (the famous violinist) Harry Lauder and the band of H. M.'s Coldstream Guards, on the latest invention of the Hon. Chas Parsons, of Turbine fame, called the "Auxeto-Gramophone." This instrument with the aid of electricity gives a wonderfully clear and natural reproduction of the human voice. Needless to say, Melba in "Lo hear the gentle lark," and Caruso and Scotti in a duet "Solenne in quest' ora," were vociferously demanded again. Special interest was added in the way of lantern slides of the various artistes being thrown on a screen while their records were being played. Mr. Sheard, from the London headquarters of the Company, under whose direction the concert was given, had a fund of interesting information about the different performers and the making of records, etc, a special set of pictures illustrating his remarks. The whole of the proceeds taken, viz. Rs. 719, were handed over to the Minto Nursing Fund for whose benefit the concert was held. Their Excellencies at the conclusion thanked Mr. Sheard for the delightful entertainment and for the substantial increase to this popular fund. We hear that Bombay is to be favoured with a visit of this marvellous invention during the cold weather.

MR. KEIR HARDIE.

Interviewed at Gooty.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, OCTOBER 30.

Mr. Keir Hardie, interviewed at Gooty *en route* to Bangalore, said that nothing impressed him so strongly as the fact that real India is not India of towns but India of villages. Town life, in his opinion, may be left out of account. The great problem is how to improve the condition and ameliorate the lot of the great masses of the people who live as their fathers did, as yet unaffected, or at least scarcely affected, except in merely a mechanical way, by the influences of Western civilisation. No genuine political advance is possible until the great mass of the people has been educated up to the position in which they can take an intelligent interest, not only in the affairs of their own community but in all that concerns the well-being of the country as a whole.

As the result of his inquiry Mr. Keir Hardie has come to the conclusion that the condition of the poorer ryots and the working class of the population has been steadily deteriorating. Any discontent that was to be found among them is due, he thinks, partly to the fact that some Government Departments, such as the Forest Department as administered in detail without due ragard, not merely to the feelings but to the needs of the people It was not the case of any grave or flagrant injustice but rather of the number of petty annoyances, the result of ill-considered rules wnich press heavily on the people without accomplishing any result worth talking of.

As for the Land Revenue system, while believing strongly in the principle of State ownership, Mr. Hardie's experience has led him to believe that although the land tax is not, on the whole, exhorbitant, in the elasticity of the mode of collection is very frequently the cause of great hardship and suffering. The practice of partial remissions in bad seasons would, he believes, save many poor ryots from becoming a prey to the money lender. Very great extension of irrigation is, however, the one and the only method by which ryots in many of the drier parts of the country can be enabled to cultivate at a profit. To measures of this kind, Mr. Hardie looks for the solution of the great problem with which the Indian Administration is confronted. The population is increasing so rapidly that it seems impossible for the productive powers of the country, as at present employed, to keep pace with its needs. Socialists can see but one goal worth aiming at, viz., a self-governing community, so regulated and and controlled that all its members will be in the enjoyment of the full results of their labour and be enabled to live in a condition of comfort and decency which will give them opportunity of developing, to the full, powers and capacities of their nature.

THE NEW BISHOP OF POONA.

THE persistent rumours regarding the nomination of the new Bishop of Poona, which have been going the round for some time past, we have received confirmation of such a kind that we feel justified in regarding them as representing the actual fact, writes the "Examiner." On the strength of unofficial but apparently reliable information we understand that Father H. Doering, S. J., was nominated by His Holiness the Pope on September 24th, but no official papers have as yet been received. The event has however been widely notified and extensively commented upon in the German and other home papers, and it is even mentioned in the "Catholic Times."

On this subject a correspondent writes :—

"The Right Rev. Henry Doering, D. D., S. J., Bishop-Elect of Poona, was born at Bocholt in Westphalia on the 13th of September 1859. In 1878 he matriculated at the Gootin High School at Muenster, studied Philosophy and Theology at the University of the same town for two years, and after having devoted three further years to the study of Theology at the University of Insbruck, he was ordained priest in the Cathedral of Ratisbonne in Bavaria, on December 21, 1882."

From January 1883 till October 1890 he was curate (or assistant to the parish-priest) at Waderloh in Westphalia. On September 30, 1890, he entered the Society of Jesus. After having spent two years in the Novitiate in Holland he went to Ditton Hall in England, where he completed his studies during two more years. From June till September 1894 he assisted the late Dr. Verres in the large parish of St. Boniface, Whitechapel, London. During March and April he was at Blackpool and after having finished his third year of probation at Roehampton he sailed from Genoa for Bombay, where he arrived on July 7th, 1895. After a few months' preparation at Bombay and Poona for his new missionary career, he arrived by the end of November at Wallon, a native village in the Ahmednagar District, where till lately he worked with great zeal and marked success in the Maratha Mission which had been started some time before his arrival. While his neophytes are regretting his departure, the Catholics of the Poona Diocese at large rejoice at the elevation of an accomplished gentleman, of a model priest and of a hardworking missionary to the dignity of their Chief Pastor and wish him sincerely "ad multos annos."

TROUT BREEDING.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the "Madras Mail" :—"Your readers must often have followed with interest the attempts of the Nilgiri Game and Fish Preservation Association to introduce trout into the Nilgiri rivers and streams. It has struck me that many may like to know more of the infantile life of a trout; for I know I was deeply interested during a recent visit to England to find that a lady friend had tried trout-breeding, first as a hobby, and latterly as a profession ; and many pleasant hours were passed watching the baby trout at play in shallow tanks. So many ladies at home have taken to keeping milliners' shops, or gone in for market gardening horse, dog, and poultry breeding as lucrative professions, that I was not very much surprised at my friend having taken up trout-breeding. As I told her, it was "better than being a Suffragette !" Fish culture is, indeed, worthy the consideration of people living in the country, as does my friend, for yearling trout are in such demand that they never equal the number required by Fishing Clubs, which yearly stock their rivers and lakes. Of course, one would have to be reasonably wealthy in order to take up such a hobby in India, but, to show what a lucrative business it is at home, I must quote the following:—To purchase 1,000 ova would only cost 10s., and the selling price is 50s.; while the rearing costs next to nothing and the losses ought barely to average 2½ per cent, through accidents, etc. Trout-breeding, as explained by my friend, seems quite simple!

Trout ova resemble tiny balls of jelly, each containing a small black speck ; and ought to be hatched in zinc, or wooden, trays containing water to the depth of an inch, with a sprinkling of gravel on the bottom. It is folly to crowd the ova more than is necessary, 1,000 to each tray 3 ft. long, by 9 inches, being most sensible : and my friend had an arrangement by which water flowed continuously along a succession of these trays. Too strong a flow of water is harmful ; but one ought to keep the trays fresh and sweet. It is very interesting to watch the little balls of jelly develop. During this stage no food is necessary for the ova, as the little black spot develops head, tail and legs, at the expense of the surrounding jelly, within a month ! Then the fry emerge from the jelly, or what is left of it, and swim rather feebly. They ought to stay for quite six weeks in the trays, or until the "sac" drops off, and, during the last fortnight of their stay, should be taught to take nourishment from the water, such as boiled fish pulped to the consistency of thick soup, or meat done in the same way ; while before leaving the trays they ought to know how to nibble at hard boiled eggs chopped up with oatmeal, and ought to have been trained to be accustomed to cold water, which hereafter will be their natural home. The fry, having developed so far, ought to be transferred to the pond which should consist of a sort of box, either of wood or zinc ; 12 by 7ft., with a trap door at either end to regulate the water, no bottom, and a fine wire-netting top to keep out birds etc., This box ought to be inserted in a running brook of clear fresh water, if possible with a peaty bottom and water allowed in to the depth of 5 to 25 inches —according to the development of the fry. Here they remain for four months. Later on, in order to acclimatise them, one sluice-door of the tank should be opened and the fry allowed access to the full length of the pond. They are creatures of habit, and will invariably come home to roost; especially the weaker ones. Then there comes a day when the artificial tank may be lifted bodily out of the brook, and the trout left to find their own way about. At this period of existence they are fit for sale, or the sportsman's rod.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS.

The undermentioned Officer is permitted to proceed to England on the recommendation of a Medical Board in antcipation of the leave which will be hereafter granted to him by the General Officer Commanding the 6th (Poona) Division:—Lieut. H D Saward: 2nd Battalion. The Royal Scots.

The undermentioned candidate has permission to appear before the Civil and Military Examination Committee which assembles at the New Secretariat, Bombay, at 11 a. m., on Monday, 4th November, for examination as follows :—Lieut, R M Greig, 42 Deoli Regt. attached 116th Maharattas, Hindustani, Higher Standard Part 1.

The undermentioned officers have been detailed to do duty with troops proceeding to England in the H T "Plassy" sailing on 1st November, Lieut Colonel J M Edwards D S O 33rd Cavalry, Officer Commanding Troops. Captain H Rowan-Robinson, R G A,—Adjutant, Lieut L A D Napier, Quarter-Master, Captain E P Carter, R A, Captain W R Walker, R A, Captain G C Briggs, Royal Scots Fusiliers, Captain R F Bromhead, Lincoln Regiment. Lieut G A Yool, South Staffords, Lieut E Brownell, Worcestershire Regiment, Lieut M Wickham, Connaught Rangers, Lieut DeHoghton. 1st Lincolns, Lieut J Halliday, Royal Warwicks, Lieut H C Maydon, 12th Lancers, Lieut R Cottrell, R G A,

The following arrivals and departures are published :—

NORTHERN ARMY.

Arrivals.—Lieut M C Gribbon, 67th Punjabis, Major A Cadell, 38th Dogras, Capt W G Thompson, R H A, Lieut C H Campbell, Q O Corps of Guides, Arrived and landed ex S S "Massilia" on 23rd October.

Major F T Stewart, 45 Sikhs, Major W C Knight, D A A G, Lieut J G Skene, 7th Gurkhas, C H Marsh, 18th Lancers, Major W S Fraser, 19th Lancers, Major G Elsmie, 25th Cavalry, Brigr-Genl, F A Bowles, R A, Capt J W F Rait, I M S, Capt G F I Harkness, I M S, Lieut F R Farquhar, 36th Horse, H M Burrows, 28th Punjabis, Capt E G Dunn, Roy l Irish Rifles, Lieut C B Grosset, 8th Rajputs, Capt A T S Dickinson, 51st Sikhs, Col C C Ellis, R E Military Works, Major A S Begbie, 8th Rajputs, Col W W A Thompson, 31st Lancers, Major H W Johnston, 67th Punjabis, Capt H W Knox Niven, 25th Cavalry, Capt A B Battye, 6th Cavalry, Arrived and landed ex S S "Macedonia" on 25th October.

SOUTHERN ARMY.

Arrivals.—Major G C Kemp, R E Arrived and landed ex S S "Koerber" on 19th October.

Major S Evans, I M S, Lieut. Col C Hitchins, 80th C Infantry, Major C C Renton, 96th Infantry, Arrived and landed ex S S "Massilia" on 23rd October.

Major C M Moore, IMS Arrived and landed ex S S "Delta" on 23rd October.

Major F Turner, 20th D Horse, Colonel C F Grantham, 33rd Cavalry, Lieut I R Monteath, 125th Rifles, Captain E F St John, RFA, Captain W.H. Chaldecott, R E, Brigadier-General F H Kelley, Staff, Lieut.-Col WHD Rich, S and T Corps, Lieut R J Macnabb, C I Horse, Captain G T Vander Gucht, 3rd Horse, Major H R Mead, 116th Mahrattas, Captain W J Mitchell, 124th B Infantry, Captain G R Hearn, R F Bt Col A W Forbes, 34th Poona Horse, Arrived and landed ex S S "Macedonia" on 25th October.

Departures.—Lieutenant J S Hooker, 12th Pioneers, Major C T Swan, 64th Pioneers,—per s s "Uvalosi," 23rd October.

The undermentioned officers arrived at Bombay per Hired Transport "Plassy" on the 23rd October, 1907, and landed on the 24th October :—Colonel Cole, AWGL., CB.,DSO., Staff, Majors Cook, HR RGA, M S Eyre, RGA, N Faichnie, RAMC, Captains W A Hill, 11th Rajputs, P Barton, R F A, C P Doig, 1st Seaforth, G E S Brin, R G A, H H Norman, R A M C, H Faweus, R F A, Lt. and Qr.-Mr R. Pillinger, 10th Hussars; Lieutenants H C Bates, 1st Manchesters, F H Marshal, R F A, C E Stapleton, 1st Manchester, P R Mitchell R G A, W C H Cree, R F A, G Heygate, R F A, R M Birkett, 1st R Sussex, T Whaley, 1st R Warwicks, W Egan, R A M C, S T Grigg, 1st W Yorks, G G Smytn, 2nd Cheshire; 2nd-Lieutenants C P G Layard, R G A, C H Clebborn, R C A F A De Pass, R F A, E M Grant, 1st H L I, G G M Wigley, 2nd Dorset, C Harding, 2nd R Fusiliers, H H Grepps, 2nd R Fusiliers H H Leane, 1st H L I, E R Macpherson, 1st H L I, E Haskett Smith, 2nd Worcs, E G Redway, 1st R I Regiment, H Jump, 1st Dragoons, H B T urnor, 17th Lancers, W A Gallagher, 2nd E Lancs, W H King Salter, Unattached, W H Heinig, Unattached, H V Burt, Unattached, J E Manisty, Unattached, D Baxter, Unattached, F C De Butts, Unattached, H S Malberly, Unattached, C R Watson. Unattached, Captains E D Thakeray, R F A ; Lieuts. S W Finnis, 25th Punjabis, W S Oldham, 48th Pioneers, G Howsan 4 Cavalry, W Dent, 103th M L I, S W Beeman, 26th G R, F H Moody, 40th Pathans, C Risley, 18th T Lancers, H F U Patterson, 32nd Sikhs P, T Milne, 55th Coke's Rifles, B N Abbay. 27 Lt Cavalry! Captains. C HBarber, I M S, G M Wheeler. 7th H Lancers, G A H Beatty, 9th H Horse, J C Collinson, 1 O D ; Lieuts E G G Thite Dalton, 3rd G R Twiss, 10th Jats, Captain Kettle well. 2nd K S L, B C Sparrow, 26th G Rifles, C D Eykyn, R Scots.

BOMBAY—ARRIVALS OCTOBER 30.—Young, Capt., 3rd Hussars, on leave, from Sialkot.

Duncan, Capt., 9th Gurkhas, on leave, from Dehra Dun.

Anderson, Major, 18th Inft., on leave, from Benares.

Maydon, Lt., 12th Lancers, on leave, from Ambala.

Harner, Lt., A. V. D. on leave, from Delhi.

Carter, Capt., R. A. on duty, from R. Pindi

Ellis. Capt, R. A. M. C, on leave, from Lahore.

Lewis, Major, R. A. M. C., tour expired, from Chambathia.

Molesworth, Major, R. A. on leave, from Nowgong

Hodgson, Capt., R. A. M. C, tour expired, from Ranikhet.

Robinson, Capt., R. G. A., to Staff College, from Julop.

Jubb, Capt., D. of W. L. I., on leave, from Julop.

Le Mesurier, Capt., R.S. tour expired from Naini. Tal.

Brockman, Lt., 18th Inft., on leave, from Benares.

Tyndale, Lt., 5th Lancers, on leave, from Dinapore.

Hughes, Capt., 27th Cavalry, on leave, from Jubbulpore.

Sale, Lt. 35th S. Horse, to rejoin from Satara.

Leared, Lt., 2-10th Gurkhas Rifles, to rejoin, from Satara.

White, Lt., 126th B. I. to rejoin, from Satara.

Saward, Lt., R. Scots, on leave, from Deolali.

Molony, Capt., 2-10th G. Rifles to rejoin from Satara.

Edwards, Lt., Col., 33rd Cavalry on leave, from Secunderabad.

Ellott, Major 30th Lancers, on leave, from England.

Halliday, Lt. R, Warwick on duty, from Quetta.

Harkness, Lt., I. A. on leave, from Quetta.

Raymond, Major, R. A. M. C., on leave, from Wellington.

Merritt, Lt., 128th Pioneers, on duty, from Quetta.

Good Lt., 128th Pioneers, on duty, from Quetta.

Lang, Lt., 106th Pioneers, on duty, from Quetta.

DEPARTURES OCTOBER 30.—Relley, Capt., 1st Lancers, on leave, to Colombo.

Grantham, Col., 33rd Cavalry, to rejoin to Secunderabad.

Bowles, Brig., Genl.. R. A, on leave. to Simla.

Reed, Capt., R. G. A., off leave, to Simla,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 30.

The following Officers of the Royal Artillery embark for duty in India on 6th November next :—Major Pitman, No. 79 Campany, Royal Garrison Artillery ; Lieutenant Thornton, 66th Battery, Royal Field Artillery ; Lieutenant Alves, Royal Field Artillery ; 2nd Lieutenant Hogan, No. 76 Company, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Captain S. W. Robinson, Royal Garrison Artillery, is appointed to No 32 Mountain Battery and sails for India on 18th December next.

Captain McBarnet, 25th Cavalry, resigns his appointment with the Egyptian Army from 1st November next.

Lieutenant Thomson, 82nd Punjabis, has been selected for appointment to the Survey of India.

The following Unattached List Officers are appointed to the Indian Army and posted as stated :—2nd-Lieutenants Bennett to 3rd Brahmans ; McSwiney to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Gurkhas ; Wills to 33rd Punjabis ; Walton to 1st Battalion, 9th Gurkhas ; Digby to 29th Punjabis ; Ommanney to 23rd Pioneers ; Connell to 13th Lancers ; Muir to 19th Lancers ; Walker to 32nd Lancers.

Lieutenant Pottinger, 35th Sikhs, is transferred to the 28th Punjabis.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 14th September last, amounted to Rs. 3,750, being an increase on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 1,019. The total earnings from 1st July to 14th September last were Rs. 42,895, being an increase on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 7,484.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti Valley Railway for the week ending 14th September last amounted to Rs. 9,415, being a decrease on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 1.299. The total earnings from 1st July to 14th September last were Rs. 1,15,556, being a decrease on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 6,334.

NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS

THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

A CENTRAL MAHOMEDAN COLLEGE. IT did not, indeed, require a column or two of exposition to demonstrate in a public journal the educational backwardness of Mahomedans. Yet Mr. Fazalbhoy Carimbhoy Ibrahim may have considered it necessary to elaborate this point in the letter in which he has expounded his scheme for a Central Mahomedan Institution, in order that he may be able to make such an impression upon his co-religionists as to arouse them from their apathy and kindle an intelligent interest, if not enthusiasm, in favour of his project. A very good start has been made with a donation of one lakh by Sir Curimbhoy Ibrahim, and two lakhs by his daughter. But for an institution so comprehensive in its scope as this is intended to be, the object being the economical, industrial, literary and general advancement of Mahomedans, a great deal more is required, and I trust the appeal made to wealthy Musalmans will meet with a generous response. Having amassed a fortune as traders and shop-keepers without the aid of education, they are prone to the belief that education rather unfits a man for commercial pursuits, and is, therefore, a hindrance, rather than a help, from a pecuniary point of view. It will not be an easy task to induce people to make substantial contributions towards a modern, new-fangled, institution, which they will consider to be of doubtful value. If strenuous efforts were, however, made by a strong and influential committee, it will not, perhaps, be impossible to collect, in the long run, the sum of about fifteen or twenty lakhs, which will be required for the maintenance of the institution on a scale of efficiency. There is no doubt that Government, acting conformably to their liberal policy which has earned the gratitude of Islam, will be willing to accord generous help to the scheme proposed for their educational advancement. Mr. Syed Hossein Bilgrami, the Indian Member of the India Council, has thrown out the suggestion that the efforts of Mahomedan philanthropists should be concentrated on Aligarh alone. The Aligarh Institute is fairly well off and can afford to take care of itself. A solitary academy is not sufficient for the wants of the Moslems of all India. Half a dozen such establishments will not be too many, and they must not be all of the same pattern. The proposed Institute, for instance, will take a line of its own. For progress to be in different directions, the scheme of education should be wide and diversified, each institute having an individuality and a special mission of its own.

ITS SCOPE AND OBJECT. The response which will be given to the project will be taken as the test and message of the awakening of Islam. I do not know if Sir Curimbhoy might not have quickened the flow of charity by stipulating that for each lakh paid by himself and his daughter, there should be a contribution of two lakhs made by his co-religionists. Under such a stipulation, if it had answered its purpose, he would have had the satisfaction of commanding, at the outset, the magnificent sum of nine lakhs for his big project. The most commendable feature of the scheme is the absence of an eleemosynary appeal for special treatment on the ground of backwardness. The leading idea is self-improvement by means of self-help. There will be an earnest endeavour to equip the youth of Islam with western arts and learning, in order to bring them up to the standard of fitness of their more enlightened and progressive neighbours, and thus to enable them to compete on equal terms for public honours and offices. It is also most gratifying that the scheme, instead of being a slavish copy of the prevailing system of education, proposes to avoid its defects, as well as to enlarge its sphere. Its authors having noted the evils of pertness, irreverence and intellectual hysteria in young India, are anxious for the proper formation of character based upon religion and reverence. They do not want to demolish the old, in order to supplant it with the new, as a fantastic outgrowth, an ungainly excrescence. Their object is harmoniously to assimilate western ideas and culture with the instincts, and traditions, and conservatism of Islam. Besides starting educational establishments in India, the Mahomedans will do well to found a number of scholarships to enable their promising youths to go to Europe and America for studying arts and industries as well as qualifying themselves for the learned professions.

DISILLUSIONED. Some of my countrymen cherished the fond belief that the advent of Mr. Morley would be heralded by the reunion of Bengal, and followed in due course by the introduction of Self-Government and Parliamentary institutions in India. Because Mr. Morley does not commit the egregious folly of taking it for granted that what is good for Canada must *ipso facto* be good enough for India, they are bitterly disappointed, and denounce him as an apostate from his principles. These men have neither understood, nor read the man aright. They might have furnished themselves with abundant evidence from his writings that he is not a doctrinnaire politician, an idle visionary, who imagines that civil rights and political freedom are the equal birthright of all nations and peoples, without regard to differences, however grave and essential, in circumstances and conditions. That persons entertaining such dreams have been disillusioned is the proud distinction of Mr Morley as a statesman. By pursuing steadily his policy of firmness and conciliation, he has risen in the estimation of sane and thoughtful men. His great speech to his constituents reaffirms a resolute determination on his part not to flinch from his duty, because of the scoffs and jibes and abuses which have been showered upon him by discontented idealists. The principles which he has set before himself for guidance are perfectly sound, and no man of common-sense will quarrel with them. He goes upon the cardinal principle that British supremacy must be maintained, and, as a corollary to it, that law and order must be upheld, even if it has to be done by repressive measures which are as odious to him as they are to any of the Indian Extremists. For this purpose he wishes to rally the Moderates to the side of Government. It does not appear from the condensed summary of his speech given by Reuter whether he gave a clear definition of the term Moderates. There is a tendency to use it loosely and vaguely as simply denoting those who are not avowed Extremists. There are Moderates and Moderates, and it should be made clear to the mind which of them truly deserve the appellation. Will the Extremists of to-day be the Moderates of to-morrow, if they are succeeded by Anarchists? The root of the unrest, says Mr. Morley, is not political, but racial domination. It would, perhaps, be more strictly accurate to say that the root of it is political domination, aggravated and intensified by racial domination. The two are so inextricably mixed up as to be almost convertible terms.

CIVILIANS AS GOVERNORS. The correspondent, who has been so put out by my remarks about Civilian Governors seems to be too much a creature of prejudice to appreciate correctly the spirit in which I have made them. He is at a loss to understand why I should be against the appointment of Civilians as Governors, when I have freely acknowledged the kindly and sympathetic interest evinced by Mr Muir Mackenzie in his capacity as Acting Governor. In giving my reasons last week in favour of men fresh from the public life of England, I have clearly stated that my argument was not affected by the existence of any degree of sympathy in Civilians. I maintain the general principle, which I hold to be sound and wholesome, that a tried and capable man coming from the free atmosphere of his native home is preferable as a Governor, to a Civilian however able and distinguished he may be. It is a preference, not for individuals, but for one class of man over a different class, which does not necessarily convey a slur or reflection upon the other. The distinction between the two, in so far as it is the product of a difference of conditions and environment, is one for which no one can be held to account. It is grossly unfair to suggest that the motive for preferring a fresh importation from England lay in a desire to benefit by unintelligent and indiscriminate sympathy. I believe my "Notes" have by this time made it clear to the sensible and fair-minded among my readers that I am not so prejudiced as to be blind to the merits of Englishmen, or the faults of my own countrymen. I have always been opposed to unintelligent sympathy and banal sentimentalism. It must again be remembered that besides giving my own opinions on public men and events, I have regarded it as an important part of my duty to interpret the Indian mind,—the mind of the mysterious, inarticulate, multitude, which the Englishman in general may not care to fathom, but which it is essential that he should understand. It was in keeping with this plan that I enumerated the advantages of a non-Civilian Governor on the ground of pure sentiment, such as I find pervading the masses. The peculiar honour and esteem in which the people are disposed to hold the new arrival from England, as the direct representative of the Sovereign, is certainly not the result of logical reasoning; but it proceeds from a fine sentiment which makes for reverence and obedience, and which, in that sense, is a political asset not to be thrown away.

DION.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

The following are Excerpts from the Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay, held on the 15th October:—

Read the following letter from the Engineer, dated the 4th October:—

Re Sale of Plots on Princess Street Estate.

With reference to Trustees' Resolution, of 20th August, I have the honor to inform you that the lease of plots Nos. 3, 4, 13, 14, 15, 38, 40, 46, 47, 59, 62 and 84 were put up to public auction by Messrs. Bennett & Co. on the 2nd instant.

(2) The following plots were leased:—Plots Nos. 3, 38, 40, 46, 47 and 84; the others did not realize the reserved price.

(3) The plots sold realized an average rate of Rs. 85·84 per square yard.

(4) The accompanying statement shows the rate per square yard realized for each plot at the sale, and interest at 4½ per cent. on the Capital value of the plot per annum.

Sale of Plots on Princess Street by Public Auction on 2nd October.

No. of Plot.	Total area.	Rate per sq. yd. realised.	Capital value of the area.	4½ per cent interest on Capital value.
	Sq. yds.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
3	540	44	23,760	1,069·20
38	652	80	52,160	2,347·20
40	653	93	60,729	2,732·80
46	310	62	19,220	864·90
47	292	102	29,784	1,340·28
84	553	130	71,890	3,235·05
	3,000	...	2,57,543	11,58,913

Average rate per square yard Rs. 85·84.

Resolution.—To be recorded.

Considered papers underlying Circular on the following letter from the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated the 9th September:—

I am directed to state that the Agent, G. I. P. Railway Company, has submitted the following land plans and schedules for land required to provide earthwork for filling the site for the new Carriage and Wagon Shops between Dadar and Matunga. (*a*) Plan and schedule for 34·6702 acres on the West side of the line. (*b*) Plan and schedule for 4·3460 acres on the East of the line.

The plot measuring 4·3460 acres to the East of the Railway forms part of the area included in the Trustees' Scheme No. VI, and I am to enquire whether the Trustees have any objection to the plot now being notified by Government for acquisition for the Railway for the purpose specified.

The plot measuring 34·6702 acres to the West of the Railway does not appear to have yet been included in any of the Trusts' sanctioned Scheme. I am, however, to request that you will favour Government with the views of the Trustees on the proposal to acquire this land for the Railway for the purpose indicated.

I am to add, for the information of the Trustees, that the Railway authorities expect the two plots to yield 122 lacs cubic feet of earthwork which works out to an average depth of excavation of about 7 feet.

Resolution.—The Board strongly object to any land in the neighbourhood of the plots mentioned being acquired for the purpose, and cannot consent to the plot to the East of the Railway line and admeasuring 4·3460 acres being notified by Government for acquisition, as it is included within the limits of, and is required in connection with, the Board's Scheme VI.

Considered, with reference to Trustees' Resolution of the 10th September, the following Report of the Improvements Committee, No. VII, dated the 30th idem:—

Bhatwadi Improvement Scheme.

We have considered, with reference to Trustees' Resolution, dated the 10th September, the representation from the Municipal Commissioner for the improvement of the area known as "Bhatwadi."

We have personally inspected the area which we consider should not be allowed to remain in its present condition, especially having regard to the close proximity of the improvements in progress under Scheme No. III. We agree as to the narrowness and bad arrangement of the passages which form the sole means of access to the houses and as to the want of ventilation, and we consider that as the whole neighbourhood will undoubtedly be greatly benefitted by the clearance and re-arrangement of the area represented, an Improvement Scheme for the same ought to be made.

We have also considered Engineer's plan and the estimate as submitted by him for the improvement of the area which measures approximately 8,182 square yards. The total estimated cost amounts to Rs. 3,52,750 and the direct return on the area available for re sale is estimated by the Engineer at Rs. 1,38,550, the total loss on the Scheme being thus estimated at Rs. 2,14,200.

We are of opinion that the return from the re-sale of frontages is likely to be higher than estimated by the Engineer, and we consider that the lock-up of capital will probably not exceed Rs. 1,86,500 which we consider will be justified by the results.

We accordingly recommend that the Scheme as submitted be adopted and notified.

Resolution.—The report is adopted. The Board hereby declare the area referred to in the official representation of the Municipal Commissioner (No. 17473, dated 29th August 1907) to be an unhealthy area and that an improvement scheme ought to be made in respect of such area. The Scheme for dealing with the Bhatwadi area as shown on Engineer's plan No. 2770, is approved and should be notified under Section 27 (1) of Act IV. of 1898

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s Mail steamer "Oriental," which is expected to arrive in Bombay to-morrow, from Aden, brings the following passengers:—

FROM LONDON.

Anderson, Major and Mrs W J and 2 children
Askwith, Major J
Burton, Lt R C
Charters Molony, Mrs J and 2 infants
Chettle, Mr B
Clapp, Miss
Cowan, Rev W
Davis, Mr J H
Fraser, Mr A D
Garth, Mr W
Henderson, Mr H H
Hepworth, Mr J W
Huggins, Mr G F
Ingram, Mrs K
Jennings, Mr L
Johnson, Rev B R
Johnstone, Mr B H P
Lane, Mr W
Lea-Wilson, Miss E M
Lloyd, Miss A M
Lucas, Mr
Mag, Miss H
Mason, Miss E M C
Quinn, Mr J
Rattigan, Mr C S
Remington, Mr T C
Shakell, Miss
Sharp, Mr and Mrs R W
Smith, Rev H J and Miss
Vyse, Mr G C
Wallis Whiddett, Mr F G
Wilson, Rev N G
Wilson, Miss M E
Wilkeford, Miss
Woodbridge, Mr W J

FROM MARSEILLES.

Adams, Miss F
Anderson, Miss M S
Anderson, Mr G
Apcar, Mrs E
Ault, Mr and Mrs
Barry, Major J F
Beck, Mr A C
Behrens, Mr E C
Behrens, Mr H
Borrodaill, Col H
Brown, Mr W B
Browne, Major A J W
Butler, Mr V B
Coskell, Mr C F
Compton, Mr M C G
Compton, Mrs
Cavendish, Mr F H
Cowans, Col J
Cooker, Capt V A
Crawford, Col and Mrs G R
DeBreth, Mrs and Miss
Dennys, Lt Col W
Doran, Mrs
Douglas, Capt H A
Duncan, Mr W A
Edwards, Mr and Mrs L
Evatt, Col J F
Evans, Mr L G
[illegible] Miss
Gambiett, Mr R A
Glanville, Lt Col and Mrs F
Glanville, Miss
Gordon, Mrs F F
Gregory, Mrs W
Grunstone, Mr L A
Grant, Mrs A H
Grieve, Mr A M
Grant, Mr J H
Guise, Mr J D
Haines, Major A M
Harrow, Mr R E
Hastings, Mr C G and Mrs
Hardbleecher, Mr and Mrs O G
Henderson, Mr H
Hillard, Mr W E
Hoare, Mr C
Horowitz, Dr J and Mrs
Jeis, Mr J J
Jesse, Mr and Mrs W
Kiddle, Mr J
Labertouche, Capt G
Lane, Mr G
Lindley, Mr E S
Lyle, Mr and Mrs H W
Machicol, Capt R
Magniac, Lt E
Morris, Mr D
Macfee, Mr and Mrs W
Moses, Mrs S O and child
Olford, Mr F
Osmaston, Mr A E
Palmer, Mr and Mrs H
Pearson, Mr and Mrs R S
Pell, Major B
Pink, Col
Price, Mr G
Ramsay, Miss N M
Russell, Miss
Searle, Lt Col C F A
Sheldon, Mr N L
Skinner, Mr E J
Slater, Miss
Smith, Lt C A J
Sopper, Mr E
Souter, Mr L F
Traill, Mr T
Turner, Major A G R
Tybbe, Mr and Mrs E L
Watling, Major G
Watling, Mrs G
Whalford, Mr G L
Wheeler, Mr C R
Wickham, Mr H F
Wordlow, Ramsay, Miss G
Woodbridge, Mr W J
Wright, Mr W B
Wynes, Mr J
Young, Capt W G P
Young, Mr W G

FROM BRINDISI.

Barrett, Major Genl A A
Barrett, Mrs
Blunt, Col G
Hodgson, Mr M R
Odgers, Mr C E
Shunwell, Mr R

FOR KARACHI.

Duane, Mr H
Grey, Revd H P
Griffith, Capt G H
Lea-Wilson, Rev and Mrs
Mead, Mr T
Monck-Mason, Lt N G and Mrs
Penton, Lt B C
Brasell, Mr and Mrs L
Soole, Lt G H
Torkington, Mr J S
Trevor, Capt A F
Webb, Mr M

BOMBAY STANDING COMMITTEE.

Administration Report Reviewed.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation was held yesterday, Mr. Joseph Baptista presiding. After transacting the ordinary business, the Committee was presented with a review of the administration report for the year 1906-07. The following are the extracts from the Standing Committee's draft review.

The office of President of the Corporation was held during the year by Mr. Accacio G. Viegas, L. M. & S., and Mr. Jaffer Rahimtoola, B. A., Bar.-at-Law, was Chairman of the Standing Committee for the year.

During the year the Corporation held 55 meetings and the meetings of the Standing Committee numbered 53 including one special meeting. There were besides 139 meetings of Committees of the Corporation and 56 meetings of Sub-Committees of the Standing Committee. These figures bespeak an evergrowing increase in Committee work and bear ample testimony to the time and attention cheerfully bestowed by Councillors on the various intricate questions referred to such Committees.

COMMISSIONER.

Mr. W. D. Sheppard, I.C.S., continued to be at the head of executive affairs as Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay throughout the year.

FINANCIAL.

The financial position of the Corporation is pre-eminently satisfactory. The assets exceed the liabilities by Rs. 1,88,04,444 aggregating Rs. 7,12,20,801 against Rs. 5,24,16,356. With taxation at the same rates as in the previous year there was a rise of over five lakhs in the income for the year of report. This would have been augmented by about sixteen lakhs had the taxes been levied at the maximum rates.

INCOME.

In view of a very substantial increase in the revenue for the year 1904-05 which reached the highest figure ever theretofore realised, viz., Rs. 93,36,112, the general tax on properties was reduced for the year 1905-06 from 10½ per cent. to 9 per cent. and the rate for water supplied for trade purposes was also reduced from annas 12 to annas 10 per 1000 gallons. This led to a fall in the income of the Municipality for that year from Rs. 93,36,112 to Rs. 90,92,539. But the accounts of the year under review once again reveal a phenomenal rise in revenue which amounted to Rs. 96,48,501 and the fact that this large increase accrued without any rise in taxation, which stood at the same reduced rate as in the previous year, points unmistakably to the elasticity of some of the stable sources of the income of the Municipality and, it might be added, to the general prosperity of this growing City. The year therefore closed with a working cash balance of Rs. 29,16,427 against Rs. 27,06,090 with which it opened. If we deduct from this the sum of Rs. 6,66,084 which was reserved for renewal of lapsed grants of previous years, the actual surplus cash balance at the close of the year was Rs. 22,50,343, including the minimum of Rs. 1,00,000 required by law, against Rs. 19,99,312 at the commencement of the year.

WATER REVENUE.

The report does not furnish the same detailed information regarding the water revenue as is given in the Budget. This might be done in future reports.

The water revenue for 1905-06, viz., Rs. 18,57,780, was reported to be phenomenally high, but even that phenomenal income has been eclipsed by the actuals for 1906-07 which attained the figure of 19,38,428. For the first time the water income exceeds the water expenditure by Rs. 99,721. The Standing Committee think this excess should be credited to the Worn-out Water Mains Renewal Fund. It may be noted that if the inter-departmental charges of Rs. 3,62,074 which used to be levied prior to 1901-02 but which in that year were relinquished in accordance with counsel's opinion be added, the excess would amount to Rs. 4,61,795.

It is noteworthy that the supply of water for trade purposes averaged 4 million gallons per day out of the total daily supply of 36 million gallons. Yet the trades contributed about 8 lakhs of rupees towards the total revenue from water. The disproportion is striking and the question of reducing the rate for supply of water for trade purposes is now under consideration.

EXPENDITURE.

The total expenditure for the year shows an increase of Rs. 1,46,548 over that of the previous year, having totalled the record figure of Rs. 95,20,790.

In the expenditure on plague operations an increase of Rs. 16,506 is recorded, it having aggregated Rs. 2,43,014 against Rs. 22,537 in the year previous. The main distinguishing feature for the year was the campaign against rats which entailed an expenditure of Rs. 26,550 more than the campaign of the preceding year. Towards all this expenditure not a pie has been contributed by Government. Even the small amount that they were contributing up to August 1905 towards the construction of camps and discretional relief has been discontinued from 19th August 1905. From the outbreak of plague up to the close of the year under review the expenditure on plague operations has amounted to Rs. 66,11,553, to which Government have contributed only Rs. 14,50,000. The Corporation have submitted a strong memorial to His Majesty's Secretary of State for India urging the claims of the Municipality for relief in this direction which it is hoped will meet with a favourable response.

WATER WORKS.

During the year the Water Works were maintained in a fairly efficient state. The leakage from the Bhandarwada reservoirs and filter beds was further investigated and the necessary works for remedying the leakage estimated to cost Rs. 87,844 were sanctioned by the Corporation. These works are proposed to be carried out departmentally and arrangements have been made to put them in hand. The Malabar Hill Reservoir and filter beds were also tested and a report on the subject is now before a Committee of the Corporation. The Standing Committee regret to notice that the repairs to the Tulsi Outlet Tunnel undertaken in 1904 remained yet incomplete at the close of the year owing to scarcity of labour, illness and mortality amongst the staff and the difficulty of transporting material.

STREETS AND BUILDINGS.

2,510 building applications were received during the year. These show a falling off of 347 compared with the number of applications received in the previous year. 260 notices were issued for the removal of unsafe buildings and all of these were complied with. There were however 21 collapses of building which escaped observation, resulting in the death of 19 persons and injury to 17. The approval of the Standing Committee for removal of unanthorized works down at different premises was sought in respect of 26 cases but approval was granted in respect of 10 cases only, 6 cases being under consideration or negotiation and the works being allowed to remain in the remaining 10 cases.

LIGHTING.

For the lighting of the City 4,149 gas lamps and 1,806 kerosene oil lamps were maintained during the year at a cost of Rs. 2,18,382 and Rs. 34,072 respectively. The antiquated use of kerosene oil lamps is an unsatisfactory feature of the City's lighting and the question of substituting gas lamps for them is now engaging the attention of a Committee of the Corporation.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A noteworthy feature of the year in connection with the compilation of vital statistics of the City was the Special Census taken in February 1906. According to this Census the population of the City numbers 9,77,822 and it is on this basis that the vital statistics for the year 1906 have been calculated.

20,760 births were registered during the year against 19,141 in the previous year, giving a birth-rate of 21·24 per mille. This is the highest figure ever recorded. But unfortunately the returns of mortality also show a a heavy increase under several heads. The unfavourable health conditions that prevailed during the year before on account of severe epidemics of plague and small-pox were followed by a still more unwholesome state of public health and led to a still more appalling mortality, in all 52,874 deaths having been registered, being 5,112 more than in the preceding year and 3,102 more than the mean of the last five years. Calculated on the census population of 1906, this total gives a death-rate of 54·07. But terrific as it is, this large increase in mortality was not unexpected. In view of the deficient rainfall of the previous year and its consequential evils, the Health Officer had apprehended such a result in his previous report and the course of subsequent events proved that his fears were well founded.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Three new schools were opened during the year. Small though this number is, it records steady progress—in all eleven new schools having been opened within the past three years, bringing the total number of schools for the year of report to 97. The schools were besides better equipped than before and the teaching staff was strengthened, thanks to the additional grants placed at the disposal of the Joint Schools Committee by Government and the Corporation. Manual training was introduced in two of the schools principally attended by pupils of the working classes. The number of pupils who attended the Municipal Schools fell from 9,457 in the year before to 8,748. With an addition of three schools this falling off in attendance seems rather inexplicable and is attributed by the Committee to "the ordinary laws or fluctuation."

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion the Standing Committee congratulate the Commissioner, Mr. W. D. Sheppard, I. C. S., on his successful administration during another year.

The discussion on the administration report was allowed to stand over till next Thursday, when the Standing Committee meets for the purpose.

KARACHI RACES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, OCTOBER 30.

Karachi races opened in fine weather. The course is in good order, thanks to the energy of Captain Greenway. The attendance was poor, but there was excellent racing. Mr. Graham's stable scored two popular wins. Details:—

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.

Mr Graham's Hero 9st 11lbs............Colonel O'Donell 1
Mr Morgan's Greyling 10st..............................Mr Boase, 2
Capt Greenway's Snowflake 8st 13 lbs. ...Mr Greenfield 3

Betting:—2 to 1 on Greyling, 2 to 1 against Hero, 4 to 1 Snowflake.

The Race.—From a good start Greyling and Hero ran in close company. Hero being nicely ridden won by a head.

HYDERABAD STAKES.

Mr Woodward's P D II. 11st 6lbs..............Mr Elgee 1
Mr Boase's Dawn 11st 2lbs...............................Owner 2
Mr Llewyellen's King Tom 10st 6lbs......Mr Greenfield 3

Also ran.—Bill Squires 10st 10lbs, Shooting Star 10st 6lbs.

The Race.—After a long delay at the post the field got off to a good start. P D II closely attended by Dawn which soon assumed the lead, and beautifully ridden, won by half a length, King Tom being a length behind.

ARAB POLO STAKES.

Mr Jelbart's Kashmir 11st 2lbs.........................Mr Elgee 1
Mr Morgan's Greyling......................................Mr Boase 2
Capt Taylor's, Negma 10st 11lbs..........................Owner 3

Also ran.—Mick 10st 4lbs, Bhopal 9st 13lbs, Hero 10st, Chicot 8st 9lbs.

Betting:—2 to 1 on Mick, evens Kashmir, and fives the others.

The Race.—Kashmir jumped off in front, and in despite of a strong challenge by Greyling, won by a head, Negma being a length behind.

TRIAL PLATE.

Mr Graham's Achievement 11st 9lbs..................Owner 1
Mr Elgee's Emminent 12st 1lb............................Owner 2
Capt James' Cumrew 11st 7lbs ....Mr O'Hara 3

Also ran.—Careless 12st 6lbs, Maranta 11st 7lbs, Silver 11st 3lbs, Jenny Lind 11st.

Betting:—2 to 1 on Eminent and Careless, 2 to 1 against Achievement, tens the others.

The Race.—False Start and Careless bolted, running the length of the course and eventually the field got off together. Achievement at once drew to the front and never headed, and won a by length, four lengths dividing second and third.

DESERT PLATE.

Capt Toogood's Broome 10st 5lbs.........Capt Marriott 1
Mr Jelbart's Kashmir 10st 6lbs............................Owner 2
Capt Greenway's Plebian 10st 13lbs ....Mr O'Hara 3

Also ran.—Alexis 10st 2lbs, Liberal 9st 8lbs, Muscana 9st 2lbs.

Betting:—2 to 1 on Alexis and Plebeian, 4 to 1 against Broome, and eights the others.

The Race.—Kashmir jumped off in front and made the running to the distance post. Plebian, Alexis and Broome, all challenged Broome, winning by a head; a head dividing second and third.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB RACES.

There will be a Handicap Sweepstakes Race on Saturday, November 2nd., open to all classes; entrance fee Rs. 3; Course No. 1 followed by No. 2; length 7·3 miles; start 4 p.m.

POLO.

There will be a game at 5-30. p.m

PASSENGERS BY S. S. "CITY OF LONDON."

The s.s. "City of London" is due to arrive at 8 a.m., on Friday the 1st November, and passengers will be disembarked at the Mody Bunder:—

Miss B M Aitken, Mr C Allan, Miss D Alston, Mr H Alker, Mrs M Ashworth and infant, Mr and Mrs O V Bovill, Miss A Braden, Mrs J H Balfour, Miss Balfour and governess, Mrs Von Barckefeldt, Mrs Beresford, Mr Boyagee, Major and Mrs Britten, Mr Geo Brown, Capt Becher, Mrs C V Bliss, infant and nurse, Mr and Mrs P Bosworth Smith, Mrs L Carr, nurse and infant, Mr and Mrs Cheshire and child, Mr A Close Brooks, Mr E P Coffey, Mr J C R Cotter, Mr C E Cox, Mr James Crawford, Mrs R T Crowther, Miss L S Curie, Mr and Mrs Cave, Colonel and Mrs Cowper, Mr C Craig, Mrs. I M Cookson, Mrs M O Cunningham, Mr D Dam, Mr A H Diack, Lieut Dunlop, Mr and Mrs Edwards, Mrs Elphinstone, Mrs J Edwards, Lieut W Fiennes, Miss E Fisk, Miss Flowers, Mr V H Forbes, Mr and Mrs Foster, Mrs J. L' Forrester, Miss Furnell, Mr T G Foard, Mr and Mrs Gifford, infant and nurse, Mr and Mrs Gregory, 4 children and governess, Miss L Degmyther, Miss A Gibson, Miss M Gibson, Mr G A Gibson, Miss Le M Gruchy, Mrs Girdwood, Miss L Hammick, Miss M Hartcup, Miss Heap, Miss M Hill, Mr Habbs, Capt T Harcourt, Mr and Mrs J Harwood, Mr A Heather, Mrs A S Hobson and infant, Capt W A Hutchinson, Miss N Hemingway, Miss R Invi, Miss E James, Mrs Leslie Jones, 3 children and nurse, Mrs Kelly, infant and nurse, Mr and Mrs W Kennedy and infant, Misses Kennedy, Mrs E C Lane, Miss M Leith, Mr E R Loder, Mr C Lucas, Mr C L Lovell, Miss B Lawton, Capt S B Macaulay, Mrs D Mackenzie, Mr W Mitchell, Mrs C Moore, Miss Mundle, Miss E Murray, Miss M Mc'Kerrow, Miss D Moir, Mr A Morrison, Capt McLeod, Mr R Macrae, Miss M'Aleenan, Capt Manley, Miss E Miller, Miss A Mortish, Mr P Metha, Mr Midgley, Mr M'Leod, Mr and Mrs Norbury Miss Norbung, Mr Norbuny (per), Capt B Nicoll Mr S Nicolas, Major-General Park, Miss E Pickersgill, Miss F Pickersgill, Major and Mrs Porteous, Miss Paterson, Miss K Paterson, Mrs R Peel and infant, Mr A Pazpati, Mrs E Potter and infant, Mr A Pierce, Miss F. B. Read, Capt Rwett Carnac, Mrs Rivett Carnac, Mr Rideout, Mrs Rowbotham, Mr J Ram, Mr H Richmond, Lt E W Ricketts, Rev T and Mrs Rider, Capt F Ross, Miss Ross-Hartigan, Lieut and Mrs Russell, Miss M Shephard, Miss Sinclair, Miss A Slack, Dr Melville Smith, Mrs and Mr A F Smith, Mrs Solano, Miss Solano, Mr R Strickland, Mr Ross-Scott, Mr Seagrim, Capt W Shakespeare, Miss A Smedley, Mr and Miss H Smith, Major E Spedding, Miss D Saunders, Mr and Mrs Shrigley, Mrs R Strachey and infant, Mr and Mrs R S Thomas, Miss Thompson, Mrs E K Twiss, Mrs C B Taylor and child, Mr J S Taylor, Miss Temple, Dr L Thomson, Miss S Tireman, Capt and Mrs Turner, child and nurse, Miss Tyler, Mr G Tysillis, Mr E Vernon, Mrs W Vincent, Miss D Vincent, Miss E Vizard, Mr A Vlasto, Mr E Walker. Mrs Wodcombe, child and nurse, Miss A Wright, Mrs Wright and nurse, Mrs G Walton, Miss M Warrach, Mr and Mrs C Webley, Mr and Mrs A Work, Lt H Wilcox, Mr Williamson, Mr G Whatley.

To Karachi.—Miss Adam, Miss Burman, Mrs Barker, child and infant, Mrs Gregson, and child Miss A Garbet Mr H Holmes, Miss Medlers, Mr Munroe, Mr Macpherson, Major and Mrs Miles, infant and nurse, Mr Orling, Nurse Potter, Miss A Phillips, Major Pigou, Mr W Renouf, Mrs Rossignal, Mr Reid, Miss Todd, Mrs H Tronson, infant and nurse, Hon Mr de P Webb, Mr S Wilkinson, Mr G Wilson, Miss Younghusband,

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

The following is the list of messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay:—

From:—Gwalior Jonak Tal, to Damodag Mohanlal; Calicut (Mlb), Abdulla Haji Kamisa; Calicut (Mlb), Hajam Mmaed, care of Jamthayorb Mahomed; Kolhapur City, D.N. Fansalkar care of Padar Road Akalkotkars Banglow; Ajmer, Pestonji Mehrwan; Calcutta, Vimji Mehta Vulasharmohadeo, 151 Shombijika gully; Hattta (Dmo), Balabhdass Dosa.

RAILWAY RETURN.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 19th Oct. on 504·35 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,34,000	1,80,000	4,000	3,18,000
Or per mile of Railway	266	357	8	631
For previous 15 weeks of half-year	19,10,878	24,03,850	69,457	43,84,185
Total for 16 weeks	20,44,878	25,83,850	73,457	47,02,185
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,11,767	1,81,802	2,279	2,95,849
Per mile of Ry. do.	222	360	5	587
Total to corresponding date do.	20,22,217	27,21,458	66,822	48,10,497

Increase for the week...... Rs. 22,151
Decrease to date .... " 1,08,312

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OUR SERIAL STORY.

SCARLET TOWN,

BY

ALICE & CLAUDE ASKEW,

Authors of "The Shulamite," "Anna of the Plains," "The Premier's Daughter," "Eve and the Law," "Jennifer Pontefract," &c., &c.

CHAPTER XVII.

Ruth found an ample tea awaiting her in the little sitting-room which she shared with Mary, but though many good things had been provided she had but small appetite and could not do justice to the repast. She was waiting anxiously knowing that in a little while Hal Cope would rejoin her, calmer, no doubt, the intensity of his passion thrown off in the seclusion of his own room, and anxious now to obtain her forgiveness for the scene in which he had involved her.

She was not afraid of the man; in spite of the wild words which he had muttered when they parted on the doorstep, in spite of the fact that she knew now that his hatred was directed against her own family, she did not fear him. Had they met under different circumstances it might have been otherwise. But in her thoughts she saw him as he had been during that hour when he had assisted her in her work at the Club house, retiring and bashful in her presence, a man to be easily controlled by the will of a woman. True, she had seen him with the beast aroused within him, the beast ready to turn and rend. But Ruth was assured that by the time man returned to her the beast would again be in subjection.

As she sat over her meal, attempting to eat, more for the sake of Mrs. Grubbe who had prepared the meal, and who would be unhappy were it left untasted, she began to put two and two together; but her thoughts always brought her to an "impasse," or else to so terrible a conclusion that she put it away from her unwilling to let her mind dwell upon it.

"Let me hear what he has to say before I judge him," she murmured to herself. "The man is not bad at heart, I am sure of it." Her hands shook a little as she pushed her plate aside, for she was thinking of the letter she had received that day from Roger, and of the events which had occurred at Beverly Lodge after her departure. The wretched creature Joey had intended to make an attack upon her; he had sought to kill her while she slept; some strange and inexplicable affinity existed between this criminal and the man whom she expected at any moment to knock at the door, the man, who ignorant of her identity, was coming to pour out his soul to her, the man who had already confessed his undying hatred for all who bore her name. Was it possible, could it be possible, that there was any relation between these points? The thought was too terrible to dwell upon, and Ruth steadily put it away from her. Instinct and common sense told her that Hal Cope was her enemy, and to be feared, but she did not swerve in her determination to see him, nor had she the smallest desire to make her escape from Featherstone Row and any possible dangers that might beset her.

He came at last, just as she was beginning to think that it was time for her to return to the club. Mary Paradyne would be waiting for her there, and there were no doubt sundry little preparations to be made before the beginning of the evening's entertainment. Hal Cope, she knew, would be returning to the club also; he had promised to talk to the children about Australia, and Ruth wondered with a half smile, how he would acquit himself of this task after the excitement of the afternoon. She herself was going to sing, so she felt the necessity of keeping her head and not allowing herself to be overcome by any emotion.

His knock on the door was short and sharp, almost aggressively so, it seemed to Ruth, yet when he entered the room a quick glance in his direction confirmed her belief that he would have recovered his self-possession, and that at least as Ruth Fenton she had no reason to fear him. There was no chance of his discovering her real name, for this was a secret, and known only to herself and Mary Paradyne in Featherstone Row, but even if he should discover the truth, would she fear him then? She looked up into his face and told herself that she would not.

"Won't you sit down?" He was standing close to the door which he had shut behind him. "We have both our parts to take to-night," she went on smiling, "but I don't think there is any real hurry, not for half an hour at least, and if you want to talk to me—"

"I do," he said. "I've been thinking it all over in my own room, and I feel that it would do me a lot of good to talk to someone. If it hadn't happened that you had been with me this afternoon and heard what that our at the works said, I should have gone on keeping my own counsel. But now—well, there's something about you, Miss Fenton, that makes me want to talk." He seated himself almost awkwardly in the chair which she had pointed out to him. She bustled about putting certain of the tea things away, for to a large extent the two girls were accustomed to wait upon themselves.

"I should like you to tell me anything that you have on your mind," she said. Her voice was very gentle and sweet, a voice that invited confidence.

"You are different to any other girl I've met over here," said the man huskily. "I don't know what it is, but somehow from the first I felt that we should be friends. I was a little nervous of you though; I don't know why, but somehow it seemed that you were such a long way above me, for I'm only a rough sort of fellow, while you—well, though you're only a work girl like any of the others, you look exactly as if you had come from another world altogether." His admiration for her was evident in his eyes as well as in his words.

Ruth hurriedly changed the subject. This was venturing too close upon dangerous ground. "I'm afraid," she said, "that you have little cause to love anyone whom you have met in England, for you told me this afternoon that you were happy in Australia."

"There are some in England whom I hate," he muttered, "and it is hate that brought me back to this country. I was making money over there—in Australia—and I might have gone on making it. I might have become a rich man, but as soon as I had enough for my needs, enough to last me for as long as I should want to be over here, I threw up everything and took the first ship to London. It was hate that brought me, though," he said between his teeth, "hate and one great overmastering desire—a desire for revenge." There were red lights glittering in his eyes as he spoke, and Ruth watching him, knew that he was struggling to keep the beast within him in check. The man was possessed of something approaching to a dual nature, and one or the other would hold ascendancy over him according to his environment.

She had put everything tidy by now, and there had been a brief interruption when Mrs. Grubbe, a tidy matron of ample proportions, who had a great love for Mary Paradyne, and who was superior to her neighbours in Featherstone Row and knew it—had bustled into the room in order to clear away. She was not of a talkative nature, and so she made no remark, but the glance she cast at Hal Cope was not a particularly amiable one.

"Are you sure," Ruth asked gently, "that those whom you hate are in reality as bad as you make them out in your mind to be? When one broods long over one's wrongs one is apt to exaggerate them out of all proportions, you know."

He laughed roughly. "Of course, that's a Christian sentiment," he said derisively, "and you would say that I should forgive my enemies. I've heard a lot of that since I've been over here, and have amused myself by helping Mary in her mission work. I don't know why I've done it," he went on, "for I'm not one of your religious sort really. But it filled in the time, somehow, and as I've told you before, I can be grateful just as well as I can hate. Mary Paradyne nursed me through a bad illness, so I felt kindly to her, but as for forgiving my enemies, as the parsons preach, that's not in my line. Every day I live I hate them more," he clenched his fists passionately. "It is they or I who have got to go under, and as long as I've got the power to strike, it's not going to be me."

Ruth shuddered involuntarily, realising whom it was that he referred to, and a look of pain shot in to her soft eyes. He saw it and was penitent.

"I know you think me a brute," he said, "and that by speaking to you like this I'm chucking away my chance of making a friend of you. But I've got to take the risk, Miss Fenton, for I want you to know me as I am."

"Do you know yourself as you are?" she asked softly. "I doubt it. But tell me your story," she went on. "I feel that it would make you happier to speak and you may trust me. Perhaps even—who can say?—I may be of some help to you."

"No one can undo what has been done," he returned, his voice softening, "but you can give me sympathy Miss Fenton, and that's what I've never had, not from anyone in the world."

"Have you asked for it?" She seated herself close to the window and at some little distance from the man. She glanced out into the dingy street. Was there sympathy for anyone in Featherstone Row?

"I told you," he said, "that I was born in Australia, and that I was happy enough out there during the earlier years of my life." He gave a little short laugh. "Sounds as if I was going to tell you a long story, doesn't it?" he asked, "but I'm not, for there's not much to be said, really. I married an English girl," he went on, "whom I met at Sydney; her people had immigrated, you know, having failed, like such a lot of others, to get on in the old country. But all the same they always believed that there was money to be made in England and I suppose it was because of that that I was induced to come with my wife to London. She had friends over here, you see, and she was quite sure that we could get profitable work. That is how I first came to England—one of the blackest days of my life, for it was the beginning of all my sorrows."

He was talking slowly and methodically, as if he were holding himself back, but as he progressed he threw more fervour into his manner, and it seemed to Ruth as if he were living again through the experiences of which he spoke. The colour deepened in his dark, almost olive-hued cheeks; he had little quick movements with his hands, and his feet kept up a restless tattoo upon the floor. She saw the man as he had been in those old days of which he had already spoken to her, a man whose instincts made for honour and straight dealings, and then, as he advanced with his story, she saw the cruel bestial instinct creep into his eyes, the instinct of the creature wronged and thirsting for vengeance against those who had hurt it.

"We didn't get on well,"—thus he continued—"and my wife was never strong. We had brought money with us, but we saw it dwindle away. I wouldn't let her do any work at first, because I thought myself strong enough and clever enough to work for her. But it didn't last long. We drifted down the stream, going lower and lower, till at last I found it necessary to work with my hands instead of with my brains. You see the folk at home had given me a fair education; perhaps, if it hadn't been for that, I should never have thought of coming to England, for there's better work in the colonies for a man who can use his hands than he can ever hope to find over here.

"Well, I was given a berth at last at that accursed place we passed to-day, you and I, and since they were short of hands at that time, in want of woman's work a job was found for my wife too. I didn't want her take it, but she was full of pluck, and she knew something about the work, for she had friends employed in the same business. It was, indeed, through a relation of hers who knew John Grierson that we got the offer of employment.

"You saw John Grierson to-day, and you can judge pretty well what sort of a man he is; cringing to his employers, cruel to those under his authority. And there was never any appeal from his word, for Colonel Lovatt—that's the name of the owner of the mills, you know—would believe any statement made by Grierson in preference to the complaints of all the mill-hands put together. Colonel Lovatt never came to the factory or hardly ever, professing to loathe the work by which he earned his fortune, nor caring for the people who worked for him any more than if they had been the cattle of the field."

This was true, and Ruth knew it. She bit her lip, and turned her pale face away, fixing her attention once more on the dismal row of houses on the opposite side of the road. There was an old-fashioned lamp-post, immediately outside the window with the glass of it badly broken. Ruth found herself wondering how this damage had been done and yet at the same time she was listening keenly, painfully to what Hal Cope was saying.

"Things were not so bad for us at first," the man went on, "and Grierson was curiously amiable to us both. I wondered why the other men used to laugh when I stuck up for him and said he wasn't as bad as they made out. I should never have dreamed the truth for myself, but one day my wife told me. You can guess, Ruth; I needn't say any more about that. My wife, her name was Mary, and perhaps that is another reason why I have taken so kindly to Mary Paradyne—my wife had done her best, for both our sakes, not to quarrel, and while keeping the man at arm's length, to remain on good terms with him. But the situation became impossible for her, and she was obliged to speak to me. Well, there was trouble, and then everything was changed. Nothing was too bad for us, and we were made to lead dogs' lives.

"It was just about that time that I got the chance of making money if I went to Australia. It was a good opening and it would have been folly to throw it over. The worst of it was that I couldn't take my wife with me, not at least for the first month. Well, I didn't like to go, but she insisted that I should. Grierson was not likely to hurt her now, she said, for he had grown to hate her cordially, and in a month's time she would be able to join me. What ill could happen in a month?

"And so, fool that I was, I went, leaving my wife behind," the man paused, and then he added very slowly, "and the next thing I heard, Miss Fenton, was that she was dead. Think of it, that she was dead!"

(To be continued.)

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PASSENGERS BY THE S. S. "R. RUBBATINO."

The following is the list of passengers by the Florio and Rubbatino Company's s.s. "R. Rubbatino" which is due in Bombay on the 4th November.

Rev. Fr. Angelo, Miss Blac more, Mr. C. Ballarton Mrs. Biernacka and child, Mr. A. Burbridge, Rev. Fr. Cristoforo, Dr. Costa and family, Miss Cameron and child, Col. and Mrs. Chesnay, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Cooke and children and governess, Mr. and Mrs. Castellazzo and child, Mr. H. Calbell, Miss Ross Church, Mrs. Degrossi, Mrs. C. A. Dickson, Miss O. Donnell, Rev. Fr. Filippo, Capt. and Mrs. Fulton. Mrs. May Follit. Mr. and Mrs. O'Grady Gill, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Harlington, Mr. Hilton, Rev. Fr. Hallschneider, Major Hemetson. Capt. and Mrs. Hardcastle, Mrs. Hilton, Dr. L. Joski, Mr. J. Kenay, Mr. Latif, Miss Lawson Rev. Fr. P. Maria, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mr. Muller. Mr. and Mrs. Mongini, Mrs. McDonald, Six Missionaries, Lieut. McCarthy, Miss Nathan, Miss C. Organ, Rev. Fr. Pacifico, Mr. J. Pochas, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Piggott, Mr. Passy, Rev. Fr. Raffaeles, Lt. and Mrs. Rowlandsons, Mr. and Mrs. Routes, Mr. P. F. Scott, Mr. and Miss Symons, Lieut. Shuttleworth, Lieut. Strong, Mrs. Sprawson and child, Mr. A. V. Smith and Miss Smith, Rev. Fr. Shuetz, Mr. Lushington Taylor, Lieut-Col. and Mrs. F. C. Whyte and child, Mrs. Woodyard, Mrs. and Miss Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Wallach, Capt. Whardale, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wilson, Lieut. and Mr. Willlis, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	6
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	2	1	15
C Market, Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	1	1	20
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Mahaluxmi		0	10
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	30
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	8
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	10
Water Division	0	0	1
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	11
Total	3	2	101
Total plague deaths to date	161,142		
Same date last year	15	3	55

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

The following table shows the results of the rat campaign:—

OCTOBER, 28th 1907.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead.	Found Infected.
A	41	63	1
B	214	204	22
C	46	95	2
D	77	56	0
E	180	152	3
F & G	79	12	0
Total to date	637	582	28
Total rats killed	1219		

BY THE WAY.

HEREDITY ON THE BENCH.

It is interesting to note, in connexion with the appointment of Lord Coleridge, K.C., as one of the Justices of the High Court, the large part which heredity plays in the legal world. There are many cases, apart from that of Lord Coleridge, which refute the popular fallacy that legal eminence is rarely transmitted from father to son. Of instances of father and son holding judicial office we have those of Mr. Justice More and Sir Thomas More, the Lord Chancellor; Lord Erskine, who was Chancellor in the Government of "All the Talents" in the early years of the last century, and Mr. Justice Erskine; Chief Justice Willes and Mr. Justice Willes; and Chief Justice Denman and Mr. Justice Denman. In recent years Lord Justice Vaughan Williams, Mr. Justice Channell, and Mr. Justice Phillimore have followed in their fathers' footsteps in reaching the Bench. The most notable race of heredity lawyers are, of course, the Pollocks.

THE LEEDS FESTIVAL AND THE WORKS OF GRIEG.

At the Leeds Festival, special interest will be felt in the works of Grieg, which he was to have conducted personally. He had intended re-scoring the concerto which his young friend Percy Grainger is to play at the Festival, and was full of delight at the prospect of conducting in England again. But, alas! the kindly old man with his beautiful, simple, poetic mind, will only be there in the hearts and memories of his audience. Grainger's rendering of the concerto should be specially interesting, as he had played it through and discussed it with Grieg only a few weeks before he died.

THE CHARACTER OF HIS MUSIC.

No one's music is so spontaneous as Grieg's. His delicate health made effect impossible, and he was never strong enough to be able to say, like other modern composers, "Come to; I will write a concerto." He could only write as the moment came and the melody bubbled out of his poetic mind. The beauty of nature would get hold of him, and his means of self expression in simple thanks and praise took the form of music. Often when Grainger was staying with him Grieg would point to some wonderfull, mountain or view and tell how it had inspired the idea of one or the other of those compositions of his which have a way of going straight to the heart before there is time for brainy criticism.

THE NEW CITY RECTOR.

The Rev. Thory Gage Gardiner, who has been appointed by the Primate to succeed Mr. Moore as rector of St. Michael Royal, was formerly a leading Liberal clergyman in South London as rector of the church of "Little Dorrit," St. George's Southwark. There he formed a close friendship with the future Archbishop, who, when translated to Winchester, took Mr. Gardiner with him as rector of Farnham and head of a little theological seminary that did not flourish. When Dr. Davidson was promoted to the Primacy Mr. Gardiner followed him to Lambeth, and has lately been acting as his chaplain.

WEALTH FROM WILD FRUIT.

By a strange anomaly, both blackberries and nuts have been selling in London for sixpence a pound, which is about three times the price lately realised by the best cultivated fruits. This reverses the moral usually drawn from Hogarth's two apprentices. The idle horticulturist who has allowed brambles and hazels to run riot over his land is, presumably living in luxury; while his industrious rival ruined by prolific but unsaleable plum-crops is having unpleasant interviews with the Official Receiver. If the directors had the perspicacity to plant the wasted railway embankments with fruticose brambles and cob-nuts, they could clearly afford to look out all their employees, and still pay fabulous dividends to the shareholders in defiance of Mr. Bell.

GENERAL BADEN-POWELL'S PREDICAMENT.

While passing through Hawick the other night the hero of Mafeking had a strange experience. Arriving at the Border town with the Pullman train near midnight, he was conducted to a hotel, but the landlord who was unaware of the rank of his would-be-guest, on being roused up, said they were "full up." The General accordingly returned to the railway station and passed the night in the guard's room leaving for Rothbury early in the morning. The guard's room and the guard-room are of course, quite different places.

KIPLING'S FIRST POEM.

Kipling's first literary effort, a poem written when he was a schoolboy in knickerbockers at Westward Ho! appears in "The Reader" this week. This interesting relic, which is in the possession of a schoolfellow of Kipling's, is a "Browning" poem, entitled "The Jampot," and runs as follows:—

The Jampot—tender thought,
  I grabbed it; so did you—
"What wonder, while we fought
  Together, that it flew
In shivers," you retort.
You should have loosed your hold
  One moment; checked your fist.
But as it was—too bold,
  You grappled—and you missed.
(More curtly, you were sold.)
"But neither of us shared
  The dainty"—that's your plea?
  I answer . . . Let me see
How have your trousers fared?"

It is a far cry from this to later Kipling developments.

"THE AULD HOOSE" OF GASK.

The historical estate of Gask, which is situated in Central Perthshire, has just been sold. As is well known, the estate possesses features of historical, literary, and antiquarian interest. Carolina Oliphant (Lady Nairne), who lived between 1766 and 1845, and was the authoress of many of the best-known songs of Scotland, including "The Auld Hoose," "The Laird o' Cockpan," and "The Land o' the Leal," was born in the "Auld Hoose" of Gask, the ruins of which stand in close proximity to the mansion-house grounds. The estate is traversed by a well-defined Roman road. Many incidents of the rebellion of 1745 attach to the "Auld Hoose."

THE MARVELS OF GREATER LONDON.

According to the volume of statistics just issued by the London County Council, the population of Greater London has now reached the colossal (estimated) number 7,217,939, or, roughly, one-sixth of the entire population of the United Kingdom. We get some idea of the vastness of these figures when we consider that for every two people in Scotland or Ireland Greater London can produce more than three; that its inhabitants are twice as many as those of Yorkshire, with all its broad acres; that they outnumber all the people of Belgium, and are approximately as many as you will find in Sweden and Norway combined; while Portugal could barely replace five out of every seven of them. With linked hands, the dwellers in Greater London could make a living chain from London to the Transvaal; and they could equally from a column, two abreast, with a yard interval between successive ranks, long enough to reach from Charing Cross to Constantinople.

A MODERN PURITAN.

Mr. Carvell Williams, whose death at an advanced age took place on October 8, may be described as a "Modern Puritan" thinks the "Chronicle." "A man of austere character, sincere, upright, uncompromising, he brought into public affairs high ideals which the disillusioning influence of Parliamentary life was powerless to affect. Men of this ardent type sustain their enthusiasm from some secret source within themselves, and the dust of the arena never tarnishes their souls. Mr. Carvell Williams, was a Nonconformist from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet. He was the ideal man for the secretaryship of the Liberation Society, a position which he held for thirty years. He lived to see disestablishment elbowed out of the way by more pressing questions of social reconstruction; but his own fervour for the cause never abated. In ideals, in sympathies, in manner, in method, he preserved to our day the characteristics of mid-Victorian Dissent. It was in many respects an admirable type, intensely virile, individualist, with a stern conception of life and duty, a little narrow in its outlook, but within its range genuinely Liberal. There is plenty of room for this hardy breed of men in our public life."

THE CONGRESS OF WOODCUTTERS.

The word "bucheron" perhaps to most of us only recalls La Fontaine's fable. On French soil it is otherwise. The "bucherons," or woodmen, form a very important body, and have just held a Congress at Dun-sur-Auron, in the Nievre. No fewer than sixty syndicates of the Federation were represented, the delegates numbering fifty-eight. At the railway station a crowd of enthusiasts met the visitors, a procession headed by bands of music and red banners was formed, and in the "Salle du Congres" sittings were held all day long. The proposed law (project Chauvin), modifying that of 1808, dealing with woodcutters and their interests, was hotly discussed, the Government being severely handled. A grand banquet and speeches wound up the proceedings, the last being deliciously described as "d'une belle envolee revolutionnaire," literally of a fine revolutionary flight.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

SUMMER CLOTHES AT LAST.

We are having the very pleasant experience of an Indian summer writes our Lady correspondent in London. Usually, on returning to town, we have had to banish muslin and all washing frocks into cupboards till next year; and now we are sending them to be cleaned for continuance in action, so far as we can see now, until well into the month. It is rather pleasant, too, because of course we did not get our use out of such frocks in June and July, so they are thus enabled to make up for lost time. For the moment, therefore, winter fashions rather hang fire. As for autumn, it has been eliminated, and it seems odd even to talk about it now, when we are within little more than three weeks of the first month of winter—that is, speaking according to the calendar. But perhaps when November comes we shall have autumn, and not begin our winter until it should be half over. All this is of course, very hard lines for the shops. They naturally count upon selling us new things just now, and we are scarcely inclined for them. We are quite pleased to continue with our summer frocks, freshened, of course, by new headgear; no amount of Indian summer would make us indifferent to a fresh hat. Of course, in this direction the milliner scores considerably over the dressmaker; every woman will acknowledge that her spirits cannot survive a too familiar hat, although she can easily put up with a frock even of greater age. There are women—and elegant ones, too—who get devoted to a frock they have become accustomed to and that absolutely suits them, and will wear such a thing until it is quite out of condition; but never have I met a woman who felt like that about an old hat. That is quite another matter.

ROSETTES AND HATS.

It is rather interesting, talking of millinery, what an important feature the rosette is on many autumn hats. These rosettes are being exploited, and fashioned of all sorts of things. I saw a hat the other day in which the rosettes were just made of dozens and dozens of twisted pieces of taffeta. There were two monster rosettes of this kind, and another formed in exactly the same way of velvet. Then some are made simply from a length of silk fringed out at one side, and indeed there is a new ribbon which has one edge formed into a fringe for this very purpose. And these big rosettes with the fluffy silk edge are most attractive, especially when there is a triple effect of colour in a massing of three rosettes. Then a hat, of grey felt, had along with feathers two monster rosettes of fine grey lace, finely kilted. It was a charming hat, which, one imagines, might be duplicated very prettily in purple or in white. The milliner is exploiting the rosette in all sorts of ways. Other rosettes I admired were formed of silver interwoven Chantilly lace finely kilted, and were mounted on a hat of black taffeta, whilst yet another hat had enormous peonies, forming the rosette effect. Then a very recent Paris model hat had its shape of moulded white satin, trimmed with skunk fur and white plumage. This fur is said to be a favourite with the Parisian milliners; it has decided possibilities for millinery used on those satin shapes. The millinery of the moment is as interesting as it is daring, and has gone in for picturesque eccentricity—not only eccentricity of size but of colour and design. There is a very new circular veil that has a round hole in the centre, and which, therefore, may be worn over hats with plumes. These big veils are quite costly things, costing anything from one to two guineas, if of fine chenille spots or of good Chantilly lace. It is, of course, possible for anyone to make one at home of double-width fine net, cutting out a complete circle, and then applying the edge of it with lace or ribbon-velvet. And in this case such a veil need cost no more than a few shillings. They are made in all colourings, these veils. I saw such a nice one the other day, made of fine Saxe blue point d'esprit and bordered with lace to match.

BRAIDING OR LACE?

There are two gowns I saw recently that, carried out in the delightfully thin pliant facecloths that are being shown just now, would serve very nicely for the change of weather, which, no doubt, will come some time—not that we are anxious for its advent. One of them is arranged with trimmings of panne or velvet, or it may be taffeta, and with a stimulated under-bodice of lace. It might be rather nice in one shade of lace-velvet and cloth, or with the lace of the customary creamy tone. The little buttons down the lacy front, and the larger buttons where the two fronts meet, and the little tassels might all be either of silver or of gold. The other frock too, was rather a nice design for cloth and panne and has braidings on the bodice and skirt, an effect which I always think can be more inexpensively carried out by a coarse guipure lace precisely matching the cloth. It is quite easy to send guipure lace to be dyed to match any material. If the lace be well sewn on, so to say encrusted on to the cloth, the effect is almost as good and infinitely less costly than braiding done on to the material.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

PALANPUR-DEESA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 19th Oct. on 17·28 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts	Other Earnings (Estimated)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	500	400	....	900
Or per mile of Railway	29	23	....	52
For previous 15 weeks of half-year	6,771	3,693	12	10,476
Total for 16 weeks	7,271	4,093	12	11,376
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	311	251	2	564
Per mile of Ry. do.	18	15	....	33
Total to corresponding date do.	6,499	2,256	97	8,852

Increase for the week... ... Rs. 336
Do. to date .. ... " 2,524

GODHRA-RUTLAM-NAGDA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 19th Oct. on 141·14 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated).	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	5,000	10,000	—	15,000
Or per mile of Railway	35	71	—	106
For previous 15 weeks of half-year	90,597	2,78,246	1,591	3,70,434
Total for 16 weeks	95,597	2,88,246	1,591	3,85,434
Comparison. Total for corresponding Week of previous year	4,792	24,592	90	29,474
Per mile of Ry. do.	34	174	1	209
Total to corresp date do.	89,267	2,59,666	2,769	3,51,702

Decrease for the week...... Rs. 14,474
Increase to date .... " 33,732

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 19th Oct. on 1,768·25 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipt.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings estimated.	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	1,65,000	2,35,000	7,000	4,07,000
Or per mile of Railway	93	133	4	230
For previous 15 weeks of half-year	27,02,517	40,57,729	1,04,440	68,64,686
Total for 16 weeks	28,67,517	42,92,729	1,11,440	72,71,686
Comparison. Total for corresponding Week of previous year	1,33,450	2,11,245	4,281	3,48,976
Per mile of Ry. do.	75	120	3	197
Total to corresp date do.	26,06,314	36,67,566	1,04,621	65,78,501

Increase for the week .. Rs. 58,024
Do. to date............ " 6,93,185

NAGDA-MUTTRA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 19th Oct. on 101 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated).	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	1,400	1,100	30	2,530
Or per mile of Railway	14	11	—	25
For previous 13 weeks of half-year	20,603	9,230	395	30,228
Total for 14 weeks	22,003	10,330	425	32,758
Comparison. Total for corresponding Week of previous year	..	..	..	..
Per mile of Ry. do.	..	..	..	..
Total to corresp date do.	..	..	..	..

MEN AND MATTERS.

LIVERPOOL'S LORD MAYOR MEDICO.

Dr. Richard Caton, J. P., who has just been elected to the civic throne of Liverpool, is quite an infant in the arena of municipal politics, yet, in the few years he has represented the interests of the electors of Dingle Ward in the City Council—he was returned in 1903—he has done much good work. His career has been rocket-like in the rapidity of his rise. While most tyros in municipal affairs are content to serve some years on minor committees, Dr Caton has achieved the highest honours Liverpool has always been in the forefront of the Housing Reform movement, and the most exacting work in the City Council is done by the Housing Committee, of which Mr. Austin Taylor, M. P., was chairman until he resigned so as to devote himself wholly to his parliamentary duties. To-day the Chairman is Dr. Caton. He is also Deputy Chairman of the Secondary Education Sub-Committee. He belongs to North Lancashire and has been a resident in Liverpool for over forty years. Scarborough Grammar School and the University of Edinburgh are responsible for his education. He commenced practising in Liverpool in 1868 and speedily made a name for his clever work in the hospitals. For many years he was Professor of Physiology at Liverpool University, of which institution he is Emeritus professor and a member of the Council.

AUTHOR, COLLECTOR, TRAVELLER.

In Dr. Caton Liverpool has found for its Lord Mayor a man of culture. He is the author of numerous books on medicine and on Greek archaeology. He has travelled extensively and spends many months every year in strange climes, or in watching the excavation of Greek antiquities. He is also a keen votary of Alpine climbing. Art has also claimed much of his time. There is not a gallery in Europe of any note he has not visited, and his journeys abroad have always resulted in some find of missal and manuscript, of which he is an enthusiastic collector. His library is a valuable one, and his pictures are always greatly admired by those permitted to see them. But when in Liverpool the Doctor does not stir abroad oftener than his duties take him. He prefers to live the life of a student or to devote himself to the work of sanitation among the slums of Liverpool. He has written many books on this urgent form, and for thirty years has been trying to get the poor children, and more especially the elder girls, who attend the elementary schools instructed in matters of hygiene in order to teach them how to protect their health. Since he has been Chairman of the Housing Committee the improvement to be seen in the difficult work of housing the city's poor is little short of marvellous. The Doctor is an imposing-looking man, not unlike a Holbein portrait. He is tall, stoutly built, without being corpulent, with a grey moustache and beard of the kind one time affected by the members of the mediaeval guilds. The new Lady Mayoress, who was a Miss Ivory of Edinburgh, has, for a long time past, interested herself in all her husband's good works and is bound to prove of invaluable assistance to him during the arduous labours of his year of office.

ANOTHER KINGLY VISITOR.

The King of Greece is about to pay another visit to England and is due to arrive about the middle of November, when he will be the guest of King Edward at Sandringham. The King of Greece is an inveterate traveller and never allows a year to elapse without visiting some part of Europe. It is this roving tendency that almost led his Majesty in the vicinity of the Russian guns at the time of the Nort' [illegible] and placed him in many other tight corners [illegible] Prince William of Denmark when he ascended [illegible] Hellenic throne in 1863. King Otho had been deposed by his turbulent subjects, and the young lieutenant in the Danish Navy, then a youth of eighteen, was invited to ascend the throne under the title of King George the First. During the forty-four years that have since elapsed King George, despite many periods of stress and turmoil, has well justified the second choice of the people of Greece. The second choice, because Queen Victoria's second son, Prince Alfred in those days, but afterwards Duke of Edinburgh, polled a quarter of a million votes as against a poor half-dozen cast for the Danish Prince. The late Queen, Lord Palmerston, then Premier, and Earl Russell, Foreign Secretary, were strongly opposed to the Prince running the risk of governing so violent a people, so the project was abandoned.

A POPULAR MONARCH.

KING GEORGE has had to live down Grecian prejudice and he has succeeded by sheer pluck. He is accessible and generally amiable, though he never forgets the dignity due to his kingly rank. He is a brother of Queen Alexandra of England and husband of the Grand Duchess Olga of Russia, daughter of the late Grand Duke Constantine, who was uncle to the present Czar. King George is a great admirer of pluck as is natural in a monarch who, at the most turbulent times of his reign, has chosen to go abroad unattended. This personal disregard once almost lost him his life. He was walking in the vicinity of his palace when the sharp challenge of a sentry rang out, "Who goes there?" The King made no reply. Again came the sentry's demand, "Who goes there? Answer, or I'll fire!" Still the King was silent. The next instant the silence was broken by the sharp crack of a rifle and King George felt a bullet plough through the sleeve of his overcoat. Then, to the terror of the sentry, he made himself known. Next day he sent for the man, and, after complimenting him on the way he had done his duty, decorated the astonished soldier with the Order of Redemption. One wonders what the soldier's reward would have been had the bullet found the billet designed for it.

"GEORGE PAPADOULOS."

The above incident is quite sufficient to show King George as the most unconventional of monarchs and this disregard for precedent has often placed him in awkward predicaments. Officers who at one time were in close touch with the King say that he used to compete at Greek amateur athletic sports under the assumed name of "George Papadoulos," and was always so successful that Expectators and participants began to suspect a masquerading professional. The feeling once become so strong that an attempt was made to mob the athletic monarch who, rendered helpless by numbers, was obliged to reveal his identity to the police and trust them to smuggle him away. King George's sense of equity is so great that he might very well be called "the Lucius Junius Brutus of his race." When Sir Horace Rumbold was in Greece it came to his knowledge that a certain Greek politician had spoken lightly of England. Sir Horace was surprised to find the traducer on terms of close friendship with the King, and he took an early opportunity of expressing his indignation to the Greek Sovereign. The King was furious. He protested against having his friend assailed and parted with Sir Horace on extremely strained terms. But King George never lets the sun go down upon his wrath. At dinner he picked up a menu and wrote upon it in German a delightful message of peace which he sent to Sir Horace. Since then they have been the best of friends, and the menu card, with its message of friendship, is framed to-day and is one of Sir Horace's most treasured possessions.

LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG.

King George, who is devoted to animals, some few years ago, was staying at a German spa and the attendants at the Kursaal, unaware of his identity, refused to admit the dog into the gardens. "Very good," said the King. "No doubt you are right to obey [illegible] is your instruction. But if my dog has to stay outside I will keep him company." With these words he walked away and the attendants discovered their mistake too late for reparation. The manager waited upon the King with profuse apologies, but the only reply he got from the King was "Love me, love my dog." Nothing has since prevailed upon him to visit the Kursaal. King George keeps careful note of the doings of his Government. Once his Premier made certain representations to him and denied having taken different line at an anterior date. The King drew from his desk a diary, opened it, and showed the startled minister his very words which the careful monarch had recorded at the time of utterance. King George is the poorest of all Kings. His income is about £140 a day, which is nothing to one obliged to maintain the state and dignity of a King. He would be poorer still were it not for outside help. England, France, and Russia each subscribe £4000 a year towards his income.

LADY WANTAGE.

LADY WANTAGE, who has just been granted the honorary freedom of Reading, is the widow of Baron Wantage, V.C., who served in the Crimea, and died in 1901. Lady Wantage is a daughter of the late Lord Overstone, and her marriage took place in 1858. She is a noted philanthropist, and is greatly interested in hospital and nursing work. Lady wantage is very wealthy and owns two country seats—Overstone Park, Northampton, and Lockinge House, Wantage, the latter being famous for its fine collection of pictures. Lady Wantage has no children, and with her husband's death the title became extinct.

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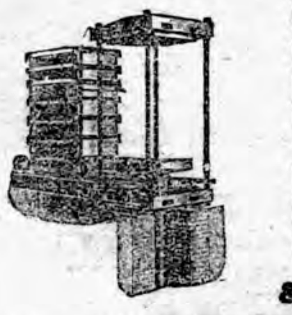

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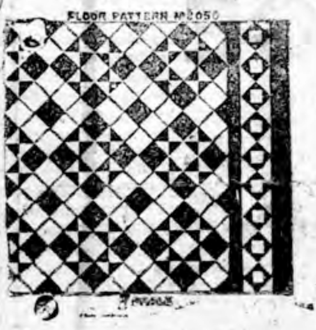

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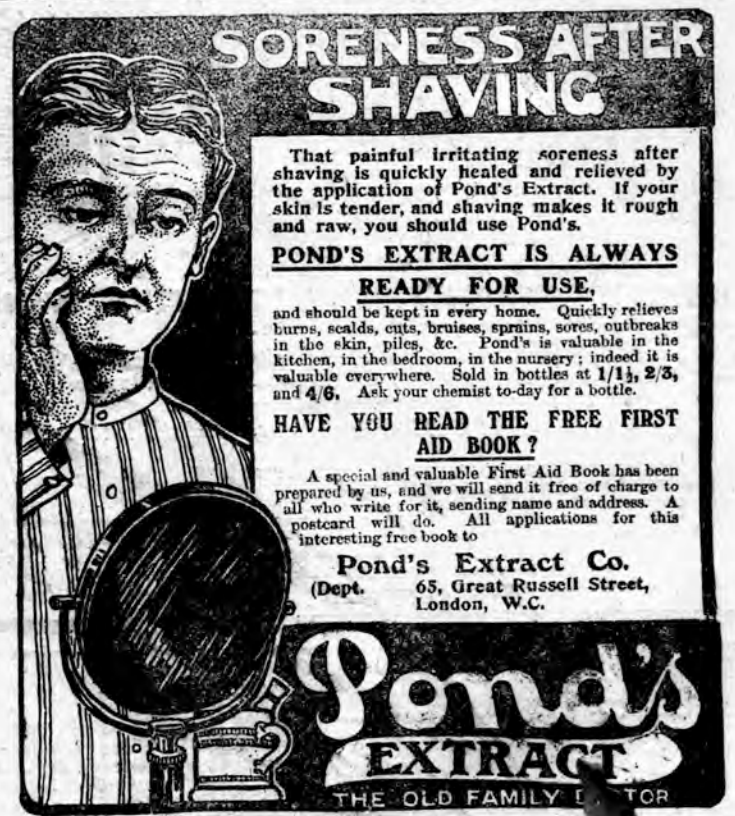

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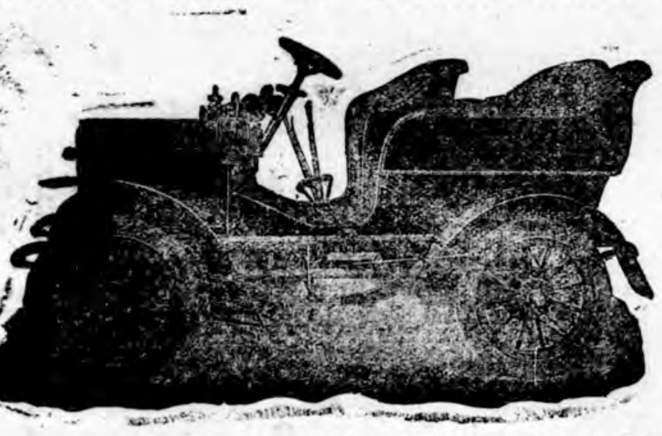

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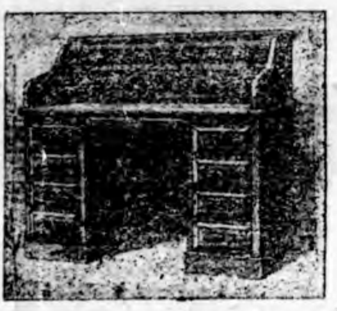

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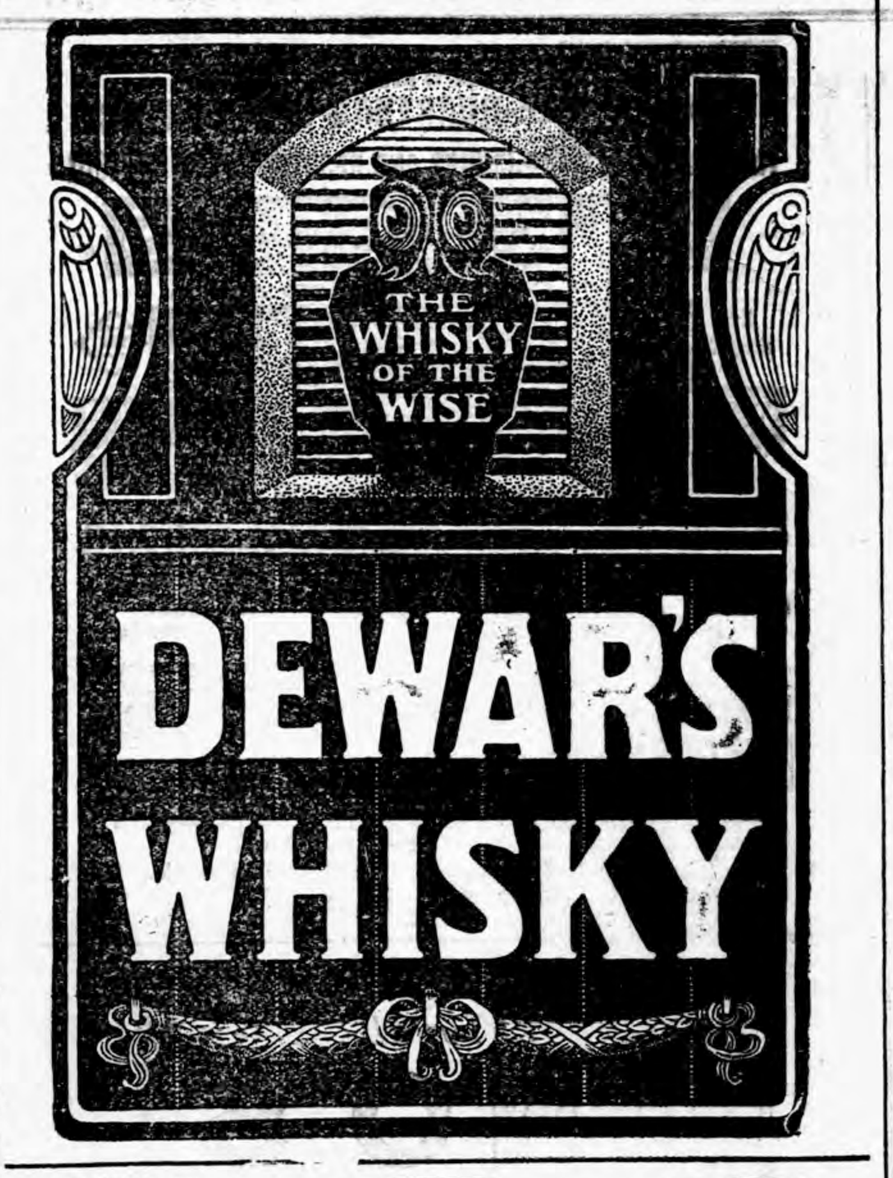

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